

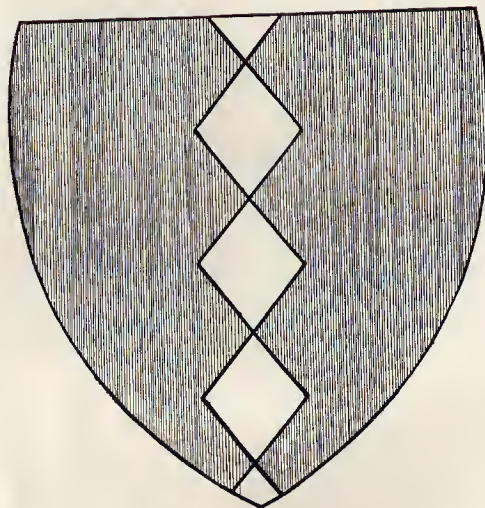
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PREFACE

THE actual descent of the family of Statham anterior to 1350 has hitherto remained entirely unknown. One fact alone was generally admitted by all Cheshire antiquaries, namely, that it derived its name from the manor of Statham in the vill of Lymme, county Chester. According to Domesday this township was held in two moieties, one by Gilbert de Venables, baron of Kinderton, the other by Osberne fitz Tazzon, the ancestor of the Boydels of Dodleston. The paramount rights of the Kinderton moiety passed into the hands of the Haltons and through them to the Lymmies and Stathums. As the patronymic "de Statham" occurs for the first time in any authentic document about the middle of the thirteenth century, an effort was made to connect its owners with the family of de Lymme. This was comparatively easy because proof existed that Statham, with the other manors constituting the Kinderton half of Lymme, was held by Hugh de Lymme in the early part of that century.

The next step was to connect the first known de Lymme with the Haltons, or "Fitz-Nigels." This, after some research, was accomplished as the following pages will, I hope, make clear. One point, however, still remains obscure, the actual date at which the Kinderton moiety of Lymme passed into the hands of the Halton family and of those who eventually used it as their family name. Having established the connection of the Lymmies with the family of Saint Saviour of the Cotentin it finally remained to trace this distinguished Norman family to its origin. Here the greatest difficulty of the whole work was encountered. The parentage of William fitz Nigel of Halton has been hotly contested and has, moreover, been involved in an almost inexplicable confusion by Mr. J. Pym Yeatman in his History of the House of Arundel. The pedigree given in Chart I is, I believe, substantially correct. It is not easy to obtain any great mass of evidence in support of a family tree in the ninth and tenth centuries and I have, therefore, accepted the statements of Monsieur de Gerville, for reasons stated in the text, which add three generations to those given in Delisle's famous work. The family of Saint Saviour

was one of the most important in the duchy of Normandy and deserves more attention than has hitherto been accorded it. If its many ramifications could be made clear a great number of early genealogical problems would undoubtedly be solved, and I hope some expert will shortly be inspired to undertake the task of writing its history.

It is somewhat remarkable that it has been possible to trace throughout a thousand years a family which, however distinguished in its origin, has in later times possessed neither titles nor great wealth. Through all these centuries, however, there emerge two main characteristics which have prevented the family from becoming insignificant, *viz.*, loyalty to the service of the Church and State. From the earliest times there has been a continuous stream of soldiers, lawyers and clergy, and most of them have been sufficiently eminent to gain some passing notice in the records of the time. Sir Ralph de Stathum, the founder of the Derbyshire branch, was a companion in arms of some of the most noted soldiers of his day. Two of his sons were present at the battle of Agincourt. Sir Nicholas de Stathum was a Baron of the Exchequer and author of the first Digest of English Civil Law known. Samuel Statham, Lecturer in Divinity at S. Giles', Cripplegate, suffered three years' imprisonment in Leicester gaol for refusing to accept the Act of Uniformity. Many others, though not "distinguished," did sufficient to raise themselves above the ruck of ordinary citizenship. To the present day members of the family have always filled positions of more or less importance in the Church and State, and have, through all these centuries, given evidence of possessing what the students of eugenics term "capacity." It is strictly within the limits of truth to say that had every available detail of personal information been given this volume would have been thrice its present size. A large book, for instance, could have been compiled about Sir John Statham, the last knight created by Queen Anne. No attempt, however, has been made to write a biography of individuals, the authentic sequence of each generation being the main point aimed at. This ideal has, on the whole, I hope, been realised with success, with two or three exceptions. The actual origin of the Buckinghamshire, Shottle and American branches of the family is not clearly proved. The suggestions put forward possess the merit of meeting the probabilities, and further research may definitely settle their accuracy.

It had originally been intended to print in the appendices verbatim extracts from charters, records and wills supporting statements made in the text; but they prove to be too numerous and lengthy. In lieu of this a reference has been

given to the authority on which any statement has been made.

The original spelling of the name was Stathum and this survived until about the end of the fifteenth century, when Statham became the usual form. It is not a name which, at first sight, would appear to lend itself to much change of form; but the following variations have been met with in documents and church registers: Stathome, Staytham, Staythome, Staten, Statone, Stathom, Sthathame, Stuthen, Stathame, Stastum, Statom and Steothum.

In a work of this kind, dealing with a multiplicity of names, dates and references, it is almost impossible to avoid errors. With this warning I submit this account of their ancestors to the kindly judgment of the members of the Ancient Family of Statham.

My thanks are due to the Rev. J. E. W. Wallis for the infinite trouble he has taken in reading the manuscripts and in correcting the proofs.

CONTRACTIONS

a. = Before the year.	occ. = Slain.
abp. = Archbishop.	o.s.p. = Died childless.
abt. = Abbot.	o.s.p.m. = Died without male issue.
art. = Aged.	o.v.p. = Died before his father.
b. = Baptized.	o.v.p.s.p. = Died before his father, without issue.
bp. = Bishop.	p. = After.
c. = About the year.	q.v. = Which see.
ct. = Count.	s. = Buried.
el. = Earl.	sor. = Sister.
f. = Son, or daughter.	sen. = Seneschal.
f.h. = Son and heir, or daughter and heir.	t. = In the reign of.
f.coh. = Son, or daughter, and coheir.	v. = Living in the year.
ib. = The same.	vid. = Widow.
m. = Married.	vid. supra. = See above.
n. = Born.	vid. infra. = See below.
ob. = Died.	

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I

THE SAINT SAVIOURS OF THE COTENTIN

Richard I, Sire de Saint-Sauveur-le-Vicomte. v. 890-930.
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Issue.

Nigel.

No authoritative statement can be made with reference to the father of this, the first known owner of the barony of Saint Saviour. There is a strong presumption that he was a son of Hule, or Malahultis, uncle of Rollo, the first duke of Normandy. One of the latest writers on that duchy says: "In 896 a little band appeared in the Seine with a chief named Hundeus, Hulc. He ravaged the Basse-Seine and eventually established himself at Choisy-au-Bac. At Easter he was received by Charles the Simple and baptized. He is supposed to have been the uncle of Rollo mentioned in William de Jumièges, vi. c. 3" (*H.P.* 120). Another French writer of repute states: "It would appear that about 912 A.D. some arrangement was made with the King of France which recognised Rollo as duke of the territory in which he and his companions had established themselves. The Norman chiefs established in that region were the auxiliaries of Rollo; but in some cases his competitors and antagonists. Those who were bound to him by family ties naturally formed his strongest supporters and their claims recognised by large grants of land. The territory of Saint Saviour in the Cotentin, with great dependencies, was granted to Rollo's cousin Richard" (*G.D.* 146). He also asserts that "Briquebec and S. Saviour divided the Isle of Guernsey. S. Saviour holding S. Sampson, S. Peter Port, S. Andrew, S. Martin in the Forest and Torteval" (*ib.* 174). Mr. Ventman, without giving his authority, represents Malahultis as the father, not only of Richard de Saint Saviour, but of Rolf de Bayeux and Hugh de Cavalcampo also. He gives a pedigree tracing the descent of Ranulph, Earl of Chester in 1128, from Rolf and another which ascribes the famous Toëni family to Hugh. Mr. Madan, in the "Gresleys of Drakelow," traces the descent of the Toënis from Fornjot, King of Finland, through eight successive Kings to Malahultis, brother of Rögnvald and uncle

of Rollo. These pedigrees are interesting and suggestive ; but, at present, are, I believe, incapable of proof. It is greatly to be regretted that during the Revolution so many ancient documents were destroyed in France ; but Mons. de Gerville, a member of the Antiquarian Society of Normandy, has preserved for us some highly interesting details of the family of S. Saviour. He wrote in 1824, not so very long after the Revolution, and gives extracts from what he states to have been Charters originally preserved in the Chateau of S. Saviour itself. As he was a man of considerable authority in his day as an antiquarian we may accept his statements without reserve. In his account of the Chateau of S. Saviour he says : " before the revolution there existed among its archives a grant of the territory of S. Saviour with great dependencies, including Néhou. This domain, at that time, was covered with wood and composed of marsh and arid lands and was situated in the Cotentin near the River Ouve. The deed was in latin, dated 912, and conveyed the holding with an obligation of homage and military service " (*Ge.* 279). " Richard began immediately to erect his castle and added thereto a chapel which in 913 was consecrated by Herbert, bishop of Coutances. It was dedicated to the Holy Trinity and Saint Saviour " (*Ge. and LM.* 106). The owner of S. Saviour would appear to have been entitled to a seat on the Exchequer of Normandy.

Nigel I, Lord of S. Saviour-the-Viscount and of Néhou, Viscount of the Cotentin and lord of the Isle of Guernsey. v. 938-942. =

Issue.

Richard.

During the lifetime of his father Nigel received a grant of Néhou, which thenceforth was distinguished by his name ; Néhou being a simple contraction of Néel and Hou, that is Nigel's Home. In the same way Néel Ville becomes Neville (*G.D.* 152). About the year 938 William Longue-Épée created Nigel viscount of the Cotentin (*ib.* 199), an office which became hereditary in his family and gave his barony the title of Saint Saviour-the-Viscount. To the present day the original holding of this once puissant family is still so distinguished. Mons. Dupont claims, however, that he was created count, not viscount, and quotes the *Roman de Rou* in support of his theory. It is true that Wace writes : " Néel de Saint Sauveur ki esteit uns *quens des pais* " ; but in face of the fact that in the early days of the duchy the title of Count seems to have been confined to

members of the reigning family this claim may be viewed with considerable doubt. At some date previous to 933 Nigel received from the same duke a grant of half the Isle of Guernsey *in benefico*, Rolf de Bayeux obtaining the other moiety. In 933 Rolf, breaking out into rebellion, was deprived of his portion and the lordship of the Isles was apparently given to Nigel (*P.O.* 91). Support for this statement is found in a charter quoted by Mons. de Gerville (279) in which Nigel grants his woods in Sark to the monks of Mount S. Michael in 942. I can find no corroborative evidence for the statement that Nigel's brothers were Hamo, viscount of Dinan ; Goscelin and Alan (*P.H.D.* *iv.* 202).

Richard II, lord of S. Saviour and Néhou, viscount of the Cotentin and lord of Guernsey. v. 998.

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Issue.

Roger.

One fact only is known of Richard II, viz., that he established in 998 a Collegiate Church at S. Saviour, endowing it with four prebendaries (*Ge.* 280). In the records of the diocese of Coutances it is stated that Hugh, then the bishop, confirmed this foundation (*L.M.* 116).

Roger I, lord of S. Saviour, etc. ob. c. 1014.

= ? f. Richard I, duke of Normandy.

Issue.

Nigel.

The Chartulary of the Abbey of S. Saviour-the-Viscount (*D. ii.* 59) contains a deed in which is to be found the following passage : " Be it known that the Church of S. Saviour is free of all episcopal customs, and that from the time of the late (*vetuli*) Richard, duke, and of Roger the viscount, who founded and built it free, and who, for this freedom, granted the church of Saint Nicholas of Hulm and the Gishaula (*vicum qui vocatur Gishaula*) in the said town of Saint Mary of the Cotentin." This is an important document and suggestive of certain possibilities. The late duke must denote Richard I, who died in 996, which proves that the original foundation was

made, as stated above, by Richard of S. Saviour, probably just before his death and completed, by his son Roger. The grant of the church of S. Nicholas and the Gishaula of Hulm proves that Roger possessed full rights over that vill, the castle of which was purchased later by Adelisa of Bourgoyne from her brother, duke Robert I, and granted by her to Nigel, Roger's son, as Castellan (S. ii. xxix.). The church of S. Mary de Hulmo was granted between 1151-1179 to the Abbey of S. Saviour-the-Viscount by Adeliza, daughter of Stephen, Count of Aumale, she holding it in dower. The bourg of Le Homme, or as it is otherwise called, L'Isle Marie, was itself granted to Holy Trinity, Caen, by William the Conqueror. All this points to a divided or disputed ownership and, as a matter of fact, we find Nigel V of S. Saviour claiming the castle as his of hereditary right (*ib. ii. xxx.*). At a later date parts at least of Isle Marie were in the hands of the Bohuns, and it would be very interesting to know how they passed out of the possession of the S. Saviours.

Roger was living in the early part of the XIth century; but the exact date of his death is unknown. It occurred probably about 1014. His wife is supposed to have been a daughter of duke Richard I. She was probably the widow of a sire de Creully when married to Roger de S. Saviour. The famous Hamon-aux-Dents was undoubtedly the uterine brother of Roger's son Nigel and there is a persistent claim made that both the families of S. Saviour and Creully were closely allied with the ducal line of Normandy (*D.G.* 199; *L.C.*; *P.O.*, etc.). The marriages suggested above not only explain these claims, but also justify the great position occupied in the duchy by Nigel II. Hamon-aux-Dents was the ancestor of that Matilda who married Robert, earl of Gloucester, the natural son of Henry I.

Nigel II, lord of S. Saviour etc. *ob.* c. 1041.

=? Gohilda, f. Raymond Borel,
Count of Barcelona. (*Y.*)

Issue.

1. Nigel.

Nigel II played an important part in the history of the duchy and his name is to be found frequently in the records of the time. About the year 1000 A.D. he was entrusted with the task of repulsing the English attack at Barfleur. Heading what was apparently a levy in mass, in which even the women took part, he entirely defeated the invaders. For his services in this campaign we are told (*Benoit*, ii. 415) that the duke

rewarded him with a grant of 100,000 silver marcs, an euphemism of the chronicler for a large sum. In 1014 he was placed in charge of the highly important fortress of Tillières (*W. de Jumièges*), and was also castellan of Charruel, where he was associated with the famous Auvrai le Géant (*G.D.* 200-221). In the History of the Dukes of Normandy an account is given of his successful defeat of the Bretons attack on Charruel. It states that "Nigel of the Cotentin and his men were present at the battle of the river Coisnon. He slew there a vast number of Bretons as though they were sheep" (*M.F.* 56). He was a great warrior and high in favour with the rulers of his country. His name is to be found as a witness to the charters of three dukes, Richard II, Richard III and Robert le Diable; and also to one of Gonnor, widow of Richard I (*C.F.D.* 702-705; *Y.* 87, 88b, 89; *G.X.* xi. 327; *D.* ii. 1-18). On the death of duke Robert he was one of the nobles charged with the government of the duchy during the minority of William. Among the charters of Préaux (f. 97. n. 286) is one in which it is stated that in the year duke Robert went to Jerusalem he sent his young son William to place his father's gift of Toutainville upon the altar of S. Peter of Préaux and that *vetulus Nigelus* was present at the ceremony (*Y.* 89). Between 1028-1034 Robert, the duke granted to S. Michael's Abbey half of the Island of Guernsey and all the dues reserved to his own use in the other half held *in beneficio* by Nigel. The deed is witnessed by Nigel the Viscount and Nigel his son (*C.F.D.* 705). The date of his death may be fixed about 1041.

His wife is said to have been Gohilda, daughter of Raymond Borel, Count of Barcelona; but I have been unable to substantiate this statement.

(2) Roger, his second son, is to be found as a witness to the charter of Emma to the abbey of S. Wandrille (*D.* ii. 10) and to one of Robert, the duke, concerning his grant of a moiety of Guernsey to Mount S. Michael (*ib. ii. 11*). He carried out the scheme for the transference of the Collegiate church within the precinct of the Castle of S. Saviour to the more convenient site which its ruins now occupy. He commenced the foundations about the year 1067. It is more than probable that the whole plan originated with his nephew, Nigel IV, who in 1049 had suppressed the Collegiate Church and founded in its place an Abbey for Benedictines (*L.M.* 124; *M.A.N.* ii. 46). I am inclined to believe that this Roger may have been the ancestor of the Montbrai family. The bishop of Coutances is known to have been a relative of Nigel III and Montbrai, in the Canton of Percy, may have been a fief of the barony of S. Saviour. The Mowbrays certainly held under the S. Saviours in the Isle of Guernsey.

Nigel III, lord of S. Saviour, etc. ob. 1092.

= f. Robert, duke of
Normandy.

Issue.

Nigel.

Between 1028 and 1034 we find this Nigel attesting a charter of duke Robert together with his father Nigel the Viscount (*C.F.D.* 705). In 1040-42 we have his signature to a deed of "William, count of the Normans" as Nigel the younger (*ib.* 706). This is fair proof that the viscount was still living. The last known charter which can be ascribed to the elder Nigel is one quoted by Yeatman (*Y.* 90) and which may be dated about the year 1040. It is a charter of Gradulfe, abbot of S. Wandrille, founding the priory of Sigy, and is witnessed among others by Nigel the Viscount. The elder Nigel, therefore, practically disappears about the year 1040 and probably died in 1041 (*G.D.* 231). Soon after his father's death Nigel III was involved in a quarrel with Ranulf of Bayeux, which ended in open warfare between them. The cause of this dispute may probably be traced to the lordship of Guernsey. The duke had restored to Ranulf the moiety taken from his ancestor and Nigel may well have resented this curtailing of his patrimony. He appears to have resisted Ranulf's claim by every means in his power. Whatever the origin of the trouble may have been Nigel's continued defiance to the duke's peremptory orders ended in his banishment (*L.C.*). An angry sense of injury caused him to fall an easy victim to the solicitations of Guy of Burgundy, with whom he openly co-operated in a fierce endeavour to drive William from his ducal throne. Their rebellion was finally crushed at the battle of Val-des-Dunes in 1047. In the *Roman de Rou* Nigel's behaviour in that famous battle is thus described: "Nigel fought like a valiant knight: had all his companions exhibited a like valour the French would have fared ill: they would have been discomfited and vanquished: Nigel gave and received full many a lusty blow: he out-faced defeat so long as possible: he saw his force dwindling: he saw many of his men fall dead: the Normans fast losing men yielded: some died on the field, others, blinded by fear, fled: Nigel for his bravery and hability for his daring and nobility was styled 'Noble chef de Faucon': Such was the name bestowed upon him." This battle was one of the most decisive in European history. Had Guy of Burgundy been victorious there would have been no William "the Conqueror," and the whole course of English

history would have been changed. As a result of his unsuccessful rebellion Nigel III was banished and his great estates escheated to the duke. It was about this time, 1048, that the grant of the six churches in Guernsey was made to Marmoutier by William the duke (*D.* ii. 21) and the grant of confirmation issued by Nigel (*ib.* ii. 23. 24) must be dated the same year. In it he refers to his hope of returning to his country and of regaining the "Honour" from which he had been ejected. It has generally been assumed that, after a lapse of time, he was restored to favour and received back his patrimony. He is supposed to have taken refuge in Brittany and to have purchased his pardon from William by betraying his protector in attacking Angers in 1050 (*P.O.* 104). This, I believe, is quite erroneous. The attack on Angers was made not by Nigel III, but by his son Nigel IV, who in consequence rose high in the estimation of the duke. Nigel III certainly made his peace with William; but the price he paid was the relinquishment of his honours and his entry as a monk in the Abbey of Mount S. Michael. This is clearly proved by two charters belonging to that abbey recorded by Mons. Delisle (*D.* i. 3. n. 4). The first contains a grant by Nigel *senex* of the land of Céaux to the abbey "when he was made a monk" and the second a grant of Sainte Colombe made by Nigel the priest, "*degens, gravissima depressus infirmitate.*" In 1086 we find the monks of Mount S. Michael claiming Céaux as theirs (*C.F.D.* 1117). A charter of duke William also exists in which he confirms to Mount S. Michael "the land which is called S. Columba, just as Nigel the Clerk gave it to them" (*D.* ii. 27). It may be noted that in later years the castle of Columba was known as Roche-Tesson through its possession by the family of Taisson. It came to them by the marriage of Jordan Taisson with one of the heiresses general of S. Saviour.

It would appear that Nigel III married one of the daughters of Robert I. She may have been a uterine sister of the Conqueror; but this is not certain. Nigel is described as a *patruus* of Hugh of Chester, and, if this be correct, it would substantiate the claim that he was a brother-in-law of William of England (*P.O.* 98; *G.D.* 231).

The mystery which has surrounded the date of Nigel III's death is at once dissipated when it is recognized that the hero of Val-des-Dunes ended his days at Mount S. Michael (*P.* ii. 142). He died in August, 1092, and his relative, Geoffrey de Mowbray, bishop of Coutances, attended his funeral (*G.X.* xi. 222). This is by no means an impossible date, as he was about the same age as the Conqueror.

Nigel IV, lord of S. Saviour, etc., 1st baron of Halton, co. Chester, Constable of Chester and lord of Salford.
ob. 1072-3. = Adela, f. William de Vernon.

Issue.

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| 1. Nigel. | 6. Roger. |
| 2. Eudo (Hugh). | 7. Emma. |
| 3. William (a). | 8. Bilelde. |
| 4. William (b). | 9. Mahildis. |
| 5. Girard. | 10. Richard. |

Mons. Pégot-Ogier, in his *Histoire des Isles de la Manche* (f. 112), gives the transcript of a document which is headed: "The names of the Cotentin chiefs holding ennobling lands in the Isles and who followed the principal leaders" in William's attack upon England. The first body is thus described therein: "The corps of Nigel, viscount of Saint-Sauveur, count of the Cotentin and of the Isles. (1) Mowbray fief in Jersey, Guernsey, Sark and Alderney. (2) Viscount Nigel, lord of half Guernsey. (3) Guy Néhou. (4) Hue Pigot. (5) John Pirou. (6) Roger le Bigot. (7) Roger Pigot. (8) Du Homet. (9) De la Haye du Puys, fief in Jersey and Guernsey. (10) Captains without fiefs in the Isles but holding ennobling lands. (11) de Montfiquet. (12) du Val de Saire or de Sée. (13) Dorival. (14) Brehal. (15) de Brix. (16) des Soules. (17) S. Sever. (18) Rosel. (19) S. Germain. The Corps of Robert Bertrand de Briquerbec, viscount de Bayeux. (1) Robert himself. (2) de Bohun, fief in Guernsey. (3) Hubert Paisoul. (4) Onfroï de Carteret. (5) Richard d'Avranches. (6) de Reviens. (7) de Vanville. (8) Mauger de Cartine. (9) du Val du Sairq. (10) L'Espine. (11) Des Moutiers. (12) Sire de Moion. (13) Oglandes. (14) Wace." This is an illuminating document and any student of Domesday will recognise most of the names mentioned in it.

In the *Roman de Rou* Wace, describing the battle of Senlac, says: "Nigel of Saint Saviour exerted himself much to earn the love and good will of his lord. He overthrew many with the poitrail of his horse and came with his sword to the rescue of many a baron." It has been disbelieved in many quarters that Nigel was present at this famous battle; and this passage in the *Roman* as well as the statement in the *Monasticon* (o.e.i. 685, etc.) which describes Nigel with his five brothers as fighting in William's army have been treated as mere inventions. He is said in the *Monasticon* to have been in the train of Hugh, subsequently created Earl of Chester, who rewarded Nigel with the barony of Halton, to which appertained nine and

a half knights' fees; and to have enfeoffed him with a fourth part of one fee and a fifth part of another fee under the title of the Constabulary of Chester. He also made him his marshal, so that whenever the said earl should send his army into Wales Nigel and his heirs in marching out should lead the van and in marching back should command the rear. For this the earl granted to Nigel two fees of a knight in Englefield *citra* Rothland. The evidence produced by Mons. Pégot-Ogier clearly proves, I think, that Nigel was at Senlac, and so substantiates Wace's statement; whilst the English records support the main features of the *Monasticon's* story. William fitz Nigel held beyond doubt the land described as belonging to his father, the constableness of Chester and the marshalship. The former passed through his heirs to the Lascis and the latter in like manner to the Montalts. The Red Book of the Exchequer says: "Roger de Montalt holds 66 bovates of land from the Earl of Chester for the service of being first in the army on going into Wales and last in returning therefrom." Domesday itself affords evidence that Nigel received a great reward for his services. Not only do we find William his son holding the barony of Halton in Cheshire and many other manors in various counties; but in the survey of the territory between Ribble and Mersey a Nigel is described as holding, under Roger of Poitou, three hides and half a carucate in Salford. This land chiefly represents what is now known as Manchester, and its descent can be traced to its present owners through William fitz Nigel (*Tt.*). Mons. Delisle says that Nigel's name does not appear in Domesday (*D. i. 21*); but in this he is clearly wrong.

Although viscount of the Cotentin, Nigel could very seldom have exercised his office in person after 1066, for he seems to have been continuously engaged in military operations against the Welsh. Indeed there is no doubt that he met his end fighting those fierce opponents. The actual date of his death is unknown; but two documents given in the C.F.D. seem to fix it with considerable exactitude. The first (No. 1166) is a charter of Nigel IV himself, dated about 1060, in which he confirms the gift of six churches in Guernsey by his lord William, count of the Normans, free from any claim on the part of him or his, to S. Martin, Marmoutier, and its monks. His wife Adela and their sons Roger, William, another William and Girard, with their sisters Emma, Bilelde and Mahildis consenting to his grant. The deed is witnessed by his wife, Roger his son, William, Ingulf, chaplain; Roger fitz Turolf; Humphrey fitz Ansquitol, Reginald Polhat; Richard de Sturavilla; Geoffrey fitz Robert, venator; Nigel de Glanvilla; Rodulf, the chamberlain; Rannulf, the chaplain; Serlo fitz Alured, and Richard fitz Briteso. The names are given at length because they afford an interesting insight into

the members of his household or "family." The second document (*C.F.D. No. 1174*) is a notification by King William and Nigel, son of Nigel, that the latter has confirmed his father's gift to S. Martin, Marmoutier, of the six churches in Guernsey at the prayer of Abbot Bartholomew and the monks, receiving from the abbot himself the benefits of the house and a goodly carpet. This charter may be dated about 1073 and is clear evidence that Nigel V had succeeded to his father's estate. Nigel IV had probably died in the previous year.

It will have been noted that in the transcript given by Mons. Pégot-Ogier above Nigel was described as "Viscount of S. Saviour and Count of the Cotentin." This is probably a correct description of his status. His action at Angers was almost certainly rewarded, and most likely by his being created Count of the Cotentin. He is certainly referred to in contemporary documents as Nigel of the Cotentin and witnesses deeds of William I as *Nigel de Constantino* instead of *Nigello vicecomile* (*D.M. o.e. ii. 956, 25b.; S. ii. ccxlv. a.; M.A.N. vi. 526*). In Delisle's book (*ii. 51. n. 2*) we find him signing as "count and viscount."

His wife Adela was a daughter of William de Vernon by his wife Emma, daughter of William fitz Osborn, earl of Hereford and lord of the Isle of Wight. It will be seen later that Nigel's son Richard held some position in that family. As Néhou passed about this time into the possession of the Vernons (*L.M. 125*) it is just possible that Adela's brother William had married a daughter of Nigel III, receiving with her in free marriage this important fief. It is not possible to state the exact order in which his children were born; but they will be dealt with in the sequence given above. This enables me to deal with the successors to the barony of S. Saviour before passing on to his descendants in England.

(1) Nigel V, lord of S. Saviour, etc. His name first appears as Viscount of the Cotentin in an official deed in the year 1075, if we except his confirmation of the grant of the six churches in Guernsey in 1073. He appears to have laid claim to the castle of Le Homme as his of hereditary right. This claim was indignantly repudiated by the countess Adelaide, who granted the castle to Holy Trinity, Caen (*C.F.D. 421. D. ii. 37*). In 1076 he acts as a Justice in the duchy court (*D. ii. 40*) and in 1077 witnesses, as Nigel of the Cotentin, William's grant to S. Stephen's, Caen (*ib. 41*). In 1080 we find him converting the monastery of S. Saviour-the-Viscount into an Abbey, which he endows with the tithe of Salsoif forest and grants in Henneville; the forest of Columba and the tithe of Columba and Roche Castle (*ib.*). He appears either to have died soon after this foundation or to have entered the abbey of S. Saviour as a monk for his name disappears from the records of the time.

(2) Eudo. He succeeded his brother as baron of S. Saviour and Viscount of the Cotentin, and his name appears in several charters dating from 1080 to 1104 (*D. ii. 43-57*). We are told that "Eudo the viscount greatly affected his abbey of S. Saviour and made it quit and free as Nigel his brother made it" (*ib. 57*). The date of his death is uncertain; but it may roughly be assigned to 1105. He had two sons, Nigel and Roger, who both succeeded to his honours. Nigel VI was the priest of S. Martin's, Geroville, and eventually became a monk of S. Saviour-the-Viscount. He had a son, Briennus, who was married; but apparently died without issue (*ib. 55*). Roger II, the younger son of Eudo, is found as a witness to a deed belonging to S. Stephen's, Caen, which may be dated about 1130. He signs as Roger the Viscount. About 1136 his signature is attached to a charter in which he reaffirms the freedom of the abbey of S. Saviour-the-Viscount, and confirms the various benefactions made to it. He married Cecilia, daughter of Engelram de Port, and, as he was the last male of his family, the barony of S. Saviour passed on his death to Jordan Taisson, who married his daughter Leticia. The Rolls of Normandy (16 2 *John*) contain the "Final Concord made between Ralph Taisson and Fulke de Pratis concerning the Honour of S. Saviour with its appurtenances which had belonged to Roger the viscount as well as for the honour of de Spineto which had belonged to Engelram de Port, and for the whole heritage of their mothers, who had been sisters." The decision of the Court was that the Honours of S. Saviour and de Spineto belonged to Ralph, son of Jordan Taisson. Roger was slain in action in 1138, according to Orderic Vitalis, whilst resisting the attacks of Raymond de Dunstanville, Baldwin de Reviers and Stephen de Mandeville, who supported the Angevins in their opposition to Stephen and joined in the raids upon his Norman possessions.

In later times the castle of S. Saviour-the-Viscount exercised an enormous influence in the Hundred Years' War and was the last stronghold of the English in Normandy. In 1361 it was granted by Edward III to his famous knight, John de Chandos, and his right to it was formally recognized both by the duke of Normandy and the king of France. He held it until his death in 1370, when William de Latimer was appointed its custodian. His castellan, Thomas de Catterton, delivered it to the French in 1375, receiving 12,000 francs for himself in addition to the 40,000 francs paid to Edward III. This capitulation caused the utmost indignation in England, and in the April of the following year William de Latimer was impeached for the loss of S. Saviour and other fortresses in France. John de Annesley, who had married one of the co-heiresses of John Chandos, and who himself was descended from Nigel de S. Saviour, provoked by the loss of his

rights, proceeded against Thomas de Catterton before the Constable of England for having "evilily, falsely and traitorously delivered S. Saviour to the French to the great hurt of our lord the king, the realm of England and of me John Annesley." He claimed to prove his right by gage of battle and a day was fixed for the encounter. The outcome of the duel has not, unfortunately, been discovered (*Ry.* 1709, *vii.* 244).

(3) William (*a.*). Of the two sons bearing this name one has hitherto remained unidentified. I believe him to have been William de Percy and base my opinion on the following facts. In a charter of Roger de S. Saviour, viscount of the Cotentin, and Algar, bishop of Coutances, which may be dated about 1136 (*D.* *ii.* 63), we find this statement: "Nigel, viscount of Saint Saviour, who commenced the abbey (*i.e.* S. Saviour-the-Viscount) gave in Percy to the said abbey the churches with their tithes, and the tithe of the whole rent of the said vill. Afterwards, when Roger the viscount came back to his country he restored the churches with their tithe and all the rents to Saint Saviour." Whether this refers to Nigel IV, as I think (*cf.* *D.* *ii.* 57), or to Nigel V, it is quite clear that the fief of Percy belonged to the S. Saviours, otherwise they could not have granted the tithe of the rents of the whole vill. Percy as a distinguishing name does not appear, so far as I can find, before 1086, which is fair proof that the fief had hitherto never been granted out. William de Percy of Whitby is stated to have appointed Serlo his brother as, first of all prior and subsequently, abbot of Whitby Abbey (*D.M.* *i.* 72, *etc.*).

In a Charter of Roger, Chamberlain to Nigel de S. Saviour (*D.* *ii.* 54) granting his lands in the vill of S. Saviour to the abbey there we find among the witnesses "Serlo (Sello) the carpenter and William his brother." It was quite in accord with the custom of those days for the founder of a religious institution to appoint his illegitimate brother, as Serlo must have been, as its first prior. We find members of the Percy family witnessing deeds of the subsequent barons of S. Saviour among their "men." Humphrey de Percy acts as a witness to Eudo's charter in 1104 (*D.* *ii.* 56). Robert de Percy in 1145, 1155 and 1165 attests three charters of Jordan Taisson, baron of S. Saviour. In 1155 a Roger de Percy attests a deed of the same Jordan and Leticia his wife (*D.* *ii.* 65, 67, 68, 72). Roger and Robert de Percy, with their brother Joscelin, are recorded as holding land near the priory of S. Barbe (*C.F.D.* 1240) and Roger's daughter Juliana, 1154-89, granted lands out of her marriage portion to the abbey of S. Saviour-the-Viscount (*A.S.E.* *iv.* 156 *n.* 57). William of Halton, brother of this William, was an undertenant of Hugh, earl of Chester, and it would not, therefore, be surprising if the earl enfeoffed William (de Percy) with manors in Yorkshire. The

arms ascribed to the Percys are fusils in fess, whilst one of the coats assigned to the Haltons are fusils in pile.

(4) William (*b.*). This son inherited his father's lands in Cheshire and Lancashire and various manors in other counties. A good account of his family may be found in Ormerod's History of Cheshire and Tait's Mediaeval Manchester. A bastard son, Robert fitz Nigel, founded a family in co. Bucks, which continued in the male line until the middle of the XIVth century (*L.* *iv.* 57, 60, *O.* *i.* 213; *R.B.E.*, 23, 267; *D.M.* *i.* 848; 647, 528; *C.S.* *iii.* 213; *T.N.* 101; *F.A.* 83, 84, 133, *etc.*). Ralph de Halton, one of the Justices of Normandy, was also his son (*M.* 146).

(5) Girard. May be identified with the undertenant of Hugh fitz Baldric, sheriff of Yorks, who held Cawton and five other manors. (See below under Bilelde.)

(6) Roger. I believe to have been Roger the Chamberlain of S. Saviour. His name appears in several charters of the period, dating from 1090 onwards (*D.* *ii.* 53, 54, 56, 57, 60, 63). He granted land in S. Saviour to the abbey there. He had a son, Matthew de Taillepie, and a grandson William (*ib.* 71). Taillepie was a fief of the barony of S. Saviour.

(8) Bilelde appears to have married Baldric de Lindsey, a tenant of the Chester fee in Lincoln. He also held under Earl Hugh at Cogle in Cheshire (*D.B.*). He is probably the Baudri de Lindessi who gave the tithe of his Lincolnshire estates to S. Evroul (*C.F.D.* 636) and none other than the Baldric de Bauquency mentioned by Orderic Vitalis. He must also have been one of Robert fitz Hugh's knights, for his wife Bilelde granted Peckforton to S. Werburgh in 1093 (*D.M.* *i.* 201).

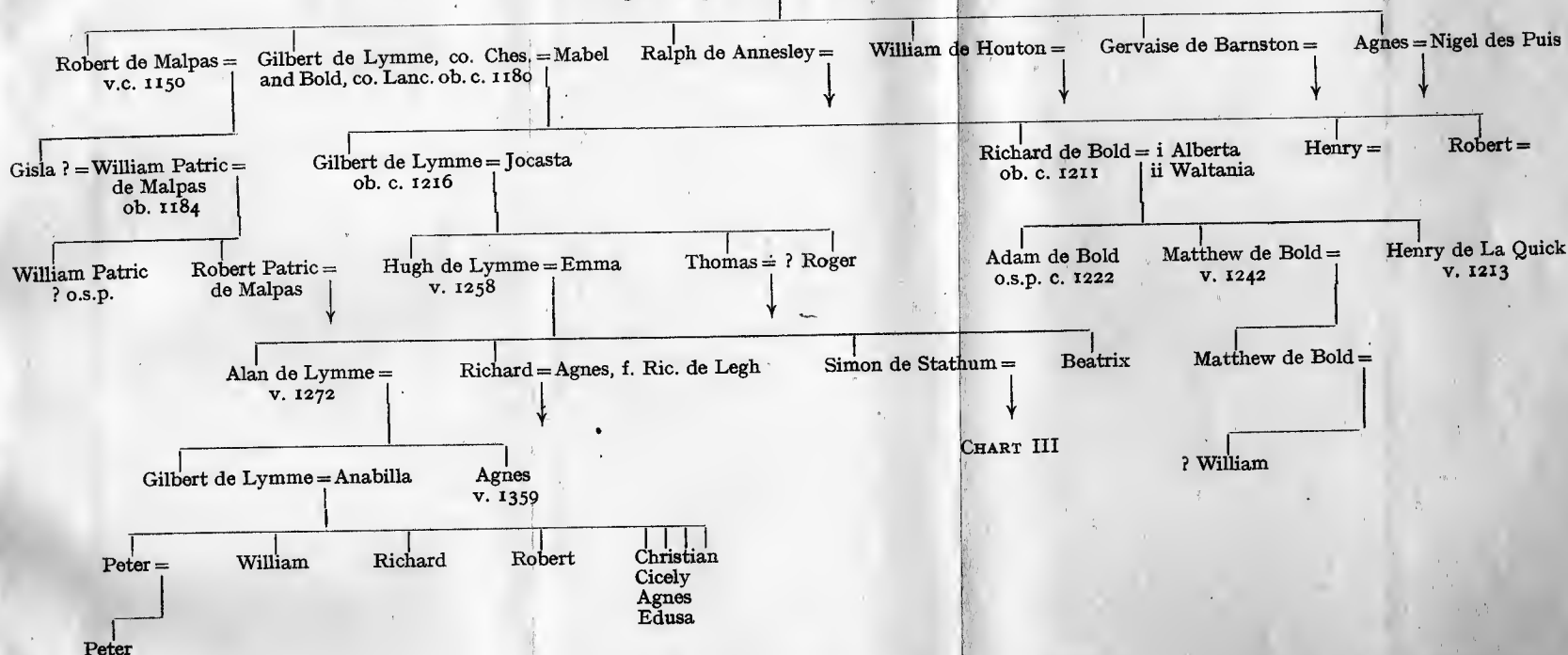
(7) (9) Emma, Mahildis. Nothing has been discovered in connection with either of these daughters.

(10) Richard. This son and his descendants are dealt with in Section II.

CHART II—MALPAS. LYMME. BOLD

Arms of Lymme.—Gules, a pale fusillé argent.

(1) Richard Fitz Nigel = Leticia, f. Robert fitz Hugh,
de Malpas, ob. p. 1133 Baron of Malpas



(1) It is possible that he also held the manor of Perlethorpe, co. Notts., under Roger de Busli in 1086 (*vid. Thoroton in loco.*), and Cuckney, co. Notts., under Hugh f. Baldric (*ib.*).

II

MALPAS. LYMME. BOLD.

Richard fitz Nigel, baron of Malpas, co. Chester, etc. ob.
p. 1133=Leticia, f. Robert fitz Hugh,
baron of Malpas.

Issue.

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|-------------|--------------|
| 1. Robert. | 4. William. |
| 2. Gilbert. | 5. Gervaise. |
| 3. Ralph. | 6. Agnes. |

His name appears as one of the witnesses to the charter of Hugh I, earl of Chester, c. 1093, founding S. Werburgh's, Chester. He also witnessed, about the same time, a charter of the same earl and Ermentruda his wife (*D.M. i.* 200, 201). Between 1101-1120 a charter of Robert fitz Hugh is attested by William fitz Nigel and Richard his brother (*ib.* 201). In 1119 "William the constable and Richard his brother" witness a deed of Richard, earl of Chester (*ib.* 985). About 1133 they both witness a deed of Hugh fitz Osberne (*ib.* 986). Between 1121-1129 Richard attests a charter of Ranulf the earl (*ib.* 986 *b.*) and it is the same document which records the gift of his wife Leticia, daughter of Robert fitz Hugh, to S. Werburgh. His name is also found among the witnesses to a charter of William de Campo Bernulfi to the monks of Marmoutier between 1096-1106 (*C.F.D.* 1202). He also attests a charter of Richard, earl of Chester, to Nigel de Oillio (*Ab. c. ii.* 69). He appears among the witnesses to the charter of Adeliza, widow of Richard de Reviere and daughter of William Peverel of Notts., to Montebourg Abbey. This deed was signed at Carisbrooke, Isle of Wight (*S. cclxxiv.*). In the Pipe Roll for Leicestershire of 1130-31 Richard fitz Nigel returns account for £40 "for the plea of a coffer full of money" (*G.R.P.* 31 *Hen. I.*).

He married Leticia, the daughter of Robert fitz Hugh, the Domesday owner of the barony of Malpas, who is sometimes spoken of as a bastard son of the earl of Chester. As earl Hugh

was little more than a stripling at the Conquest, it does not seem possible that he should have had a son old enough in 1086 to hold the position which Robert fitz Hugh undoubtedly had as a mighty warrior (*O.V.*). It is much more likely that he was a son of Hugh de Vernon (*C.F.D.* 82, 424), whose other sons, as I believe, Richard and Walter, had considerable holdings in Cheshire in 1086 (*D.B.*). It is generally supposed that Leticia had a sister, and Mr. Tait makes a definite statement to that effect (*C.T.* 45) without supporting it in any way. He is, I believe, wrong, for, so far, I have discovered no reference whatever to another daughter of Robert fitz Hugh. The descent of the barony of Malpas to the Patric family still remains unsolved. Ormerod's account is full of errors and almost unintelligible. Certain information exists, however, which enables us to make a more or less intelligent guess at a probable solution. In the Harleian Mss. may be found a series of rough extracts from what appears to be the Court Roll of Chester. Jeaye's Derbyshire Charters contain an interesting grant from Robert fitz Hugh's grand-daughter. The Monasticon and the Chartulary of S. Werburgh also provide us with one or two useful facts (*App. I.*). From these combined sources we learn: (a) That a daughter of Robert fitz Hugh by name Leticia married Richard fitz Nigel, brother of the Constable of Chester, and that no reference to a second daughter has yet been found. (b) That a Gilbert de Malpas, Robert's brother and a sister Agnes, were among the issue of this marriage. (c) That Gilbert de Malpas and Gilbert, clerk of Malpas, were distinct persons. (d) That Robert Patric was at one time lord of the whole barony. (e) That Robert Patric forfeited it to his over-lord, who regranted him one moiety, giving the other moiety to David the clerk. (f) That David had succeeded Gilbert the clerk in his share of the church of Malpas. Upon these facts, supported by other references in the Chartulary of S. Werburgh (*q.v.*), I have drawn up the pedigree given in Chart II. I make no claim that it is correct; but only suggest that it is a probable solution of the difficulty based upon the data at my disposal. This probability is strengthened when we consider the fiefs held by Robert fitz Hugh outside his barony of Malpas. Among them was the manor of Sutton Bonnington in Notts. He also held in the manor of West Derby between Ribble and Mersey 2 carucates; and in Kegworth, co. Leic., 15 carucates, with 3 curucates belonging to Hatherne and Dishley. In Leicester itself he held 6 houses belonging to Kegworth and 1 house in Loughboro' also an appurtenance of Kegworth (*D.B.*). As will be seen later, the whole of these estates, except Sutton Bonnington, passed through his son-in-law Richard fitz Nigel to the Bolds and Lymmes, the small tenure in Dishley being in the possession of a Statham until quite recently.

In addition to the inheritance of his wife Richard fitz Nigel held the manors of Annesley and Barnston in Notts. and Burton Latimer and Findon, Northants (*D.B.*). He was evidently attached to the Palatine Court of the earls of Chester and apparently held some position in the "family" of de Reviers.

His death occurred between 1133-1140. Taking his children in the order given above, although there is no evidence to prove the actual sequence of their birth, his son

(1) Robert appears in no document of the period save only in that of his sister Agnes (*App. I.*) which may be dated about 1150. Mr. Jeayes gives it the wide range of 1135-1189 (*J.* 530). I have placed him tentatively in the pedigree as the heir to the barony of Malpas and as leaving a daughter Gisla (*C.F.D. f.* 159). This daughter was, I believe, married to William Patric, who died in 1184 (*Ann. Cestr.* 32 *C.W.* 92).

(2) Gilbert de Malpas appears to have succeeded to most of his grandfather's lands held outside the barony of Malpas. He is fully dealt with on a subsequent page.

(3) Ralph de Annesley, co. Notts., received the manor of Annesley. His son Reginald was living in 1156, and descendants in the male line continued until 1454. One of them, John de Annesley, married Isabel, daughter and heir of Margaret, one of the three heiresses of Sir John Chandos, and through his wife was entitled to a share in S. Saviour-the-Viscount. For an account of this family see Thoroton's Notts (*ii.* 266).

(4) William de Houton, co. Northants. His father had held one and a half hides in Burton Latimer and Findon as the under-tenant of the bishop of Coutances in 1086. In the Northampton Survey this land was held by William de Houton. In addition to his land in Burton Latimer, William also held 8 small virgates in Pateshull, Houghton Parva, and Brayfield; and half a hide in Woodford, which in 1086 had been held by Ralph, possibly his brother (*V.H. Northants i.* 373, 389). His son Robert held the manor of Stapleford (*J.* 2090-93, 936). A pedigree of his descendants will be found in Appendix II. It may be noted that his great-grandson Hugh in 1262 claims a right over half a carucate of land in Broughton, co. Lancs.

(5) Gervaise de Barnston and Colston Basset, co. Notts., and of Duckmanton, co. Derby. There is a deed existing (*J.* 1078) which contains the regant by Geoffrey Ridel of the manors of Colston Basset and Duckmanton to Gervaise fitz Richard. These manors had been in the possession of William fitz Richard, Gervaise's brother, who had granted them to the latter. Geoffrey as over-lord, sanctions this grant

in his Court and receives Gervaise's homage. This Geoffrey Ridel was bishop of Ely and died in 1173. He was a grandson of the famous Justiciar of all England who was drowned in the White Ship disaster in 1120. The manor of Duckmanton was his in 1086 (*D.B.*). See Appendix II for Gervaise's descendants.

(6) Agnes. Her charter (App. I), already referred to, grants 32 acres of land and a dwelling in Kegworth to Calk Abbey. She married Nigel des Puis, probably a son of one of the five knights enfeoffed by her grandfather in Malpas (*D.B.*).

Gilbert de Malpas, of Lymme, co. Chest. and Bold, co. Lancs.
ob. a. 1182=Mabel.

Issue.

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|-------------|------------|
| 1. Gilbert. | 3. Henry. |
| 2. Richard. | 4. Robert. |

It is not known how the Kinderton moiety of Lymme came into the possession of the descendants of Richard fitz Nigel. It is certain that it did and was held by them of the Honour of Halton (*O. i.* 707). It is possible that William fitz Nigel I acquired it and enfeoffed his brother Richard therewith. It eventually came to this Gilbert's son, who, making it his chief residence, was generally known as Gilbert de Lymme. The land between Ribble and Mersey held by Robert fitz Hugh in Domesday also descended mainly to Gilbert de Malpas. It is almost impossible to connect many of the Lancashire manors with their Domesday tenants; but I imagine that Bold in Prescott parish, in the Hundred of West Derby, represents a part of the 2 carucates held by Robert in 1086. A good account of this manor is given in the *V.H. Lancs.* (*iii.* 403), but I am not able to understand the interpretation placed by the author upon the passage referring to Bold in the Testa de Nevill. A careful consideration of that entry makes it quite clear that a Gilbert held "anciently" 4 bovates in Bold, which passed to his son Richard and his grandson Adam. By 1212 the 4 bovates had increased to four carucates, which were then held by Adam fitz Richard. A part of this increase is explained by a grant of half a carucate to Alberta (corrupted into Albert in the Cockersand Chartulary) by her grandfather Tuger *senex*, probably in free marriage with Richard de Bold. This identification of Bold with Robert fitz Hugh's 2 carucates in Domesday receives curious confirmation from a settlement made in 1272 (*V.H.L. iii.* 403, *n.* 14), wherein a confusion is apparent between William fitz Nigel of Halton and Richard fitz Nigel of West Derby. There is a Charter (*C.W. f.* 275) recorded by which Geva, daughter of Anketil grants to Gilbert fitz Richard lands lying outside the north gate of Chester and the land of Bache, together with a copse and a furlong near the chapel of S. Thomas, which

stood near the north gate. Richard de Bold granted an acre in alms to the Hospital of S. John outside the north gate at Chester (*Farrer, Lanc. Pipe R.* 153). This, when compared with the entry under Bold and Lawerke (La Quicke) in the Testa de Nevill, would appear to settle the question as to the descent of the 2 carucates in Domesday. In the same chartulary (*C.W.* 302) Gilbert de Malpas is recorded as attesting a charter of Ralph de Mold (Montalt), dapifer to the earl of Chester. This document must have been drawn between 1161-1182, probably about 1170. In another deed (*ib.* 388) Gilbert de Lymme and Mabel his wife are mentioned as giving a quittance, with Henry de Tabley and his wife, of one third of a messuage and 2 ox gangs of land in Lower Babington. Gilbert also held a portion at least of the manor of Hulton, co. Lancs., and enfeoffed Bleiddyn de Hulton therein (*V.H.L. iv.* 377 *n.*; *v.* 26 *n.*; 30 *n.* 64). Gilbert de Lymme, his son, made further grants, or confirmed his father's grants, to Madoc, Bleiddyn's grandson (*vid. infra*). It is worth noting, as a proof of the connection between the Lymmes and Stathams, that in 1283 David de Hulton and Robert de Stathum are found attesting together a charter to Whalley Abbey (*C.B.W.* 890). The date of Gilbert de Malpas' death is unknown; but may roughly be assigned to 1170-1182. Of his sons

2 Richard inherited the manor of Bold from his father. He is recorded as having paid half an acre to the scutage of 1201 and as having granted an acre in alms to the Hospital of S. John outside the north gate of Chester, as well as a ridding to the priory of Norton, a family foundation. He died in, or before, 1211 (*T. de N.*; *V.H.L. iii.* 403). He appears to have been twice married, first to Alberta, daughter of Tuger fitz Tuger, and secondly to Waltania, who surviving him, married Waldern de Reynham (*V.H.L. iii.* 403; *L.C.R. xlviii.* 18).

3 Henry held half the manor of Lachford, which he received from Humphrey de Bunbury about the year 1209 (*C.W. xxxi. and f.* 82). He witnessed a deed of William Patric to the Church of S. Giles of Calk early in the XIIth century (*J.* 539) and also a charter of William, earl Ferrars, to William de Mungai about 1190 (*J.* 2621). The former charter is interesting because it mentions William Patric's uncles, Robert and Thomas Patric.

4 Robert. Witnessed a charter of earl Hugh II of Chester, dated about 1162 to Calk Abbey (*D.M. iii.* 97, 51b). He appears to have held land in Wirksworth, co. Derby. He and his son Adam are mentioned as benefactors to Darley Abbey (*J.* 2631, 2635, 2653). He was almost certainly the ancestor of the Mosborough family of co. Derby, his son Adam being the father of Robert de Mosborough (*J.* 1729, 1727, 1730-33).

Gilbert de Lymme, co. Chester. *ob.* c. 1216.
=Jocasta.

Issue.

1. Hugh.
2. Thomas.
3. ? Roger.

This is the first recorded member of the Lymme family mentioned by Ormerod (*i.* 450, 578). He succeeded not only to his father's estates in Lymme, but also to some portion of his Lancashire holdings. He also held land in Derbyshire; but I have not been able to trace it with any exactitude. With reference to Lancashire, it is clear that he held in Hulton, in the parish of Deane. Jorweth and Madoc, sons of Bleiddyn de Hulton witness a charter of Gilbert de Lymme before 1204 (*V.H.L.* v. 26, n. 11). Gilbert de Lymme and Jocasta his wife grant the manor of Peel, or Wicheves, in Hulton to Maurice, son of Ithel (*ib.* 30, n. 64). The lordship of this land seems to have come to Gilbert's younger son, whose grand-daughter Hawise married Maurice's grandson (*ib.* iv. 377 n.). It is quite possible that the Gilbert fitz Gilbert mentioned in the Pipe Roll for 3 John may have been this Gilbert de Lymme. He was returned in 1178 as owing half a marc for refusing the assize asked for in Leicestershire (*M.* 390). This is an indication that he held the property in that county noted above as belonging to his grandfather in right of his wife. His descendants held this land, or part of it, until 1918. It would appear that he sided with King John during his quarrel with his barons. We gather this from finding his signature attached to a charter of Richard de Lucy, provided that the signature be his (*N. ii.* 527). Various charters containing references to the Lymme family may be found in the Chartulary of Whalley Abbey (*C.B.W.* 23, 392, 394-96, 410, 413).

(2) Thomas his son appears to have received the land in Hulton as part of his inheritance. He had a son, Gilbert, who left two daughters but no male heir. Hawise, the elder daughter, married a certain Richard, who was known as Richard de Hulton, and had issue by him. Alice, the younger daughter, appears to have died unmarried (*V.H.L.* iv. 377, n. v. 26, n. 11; 30, n. 64).

(3) Roger. If Roger de Lymme (*C.W.* 361) were his son, he was a priest and married Hawise daughter, and heir of Thomas de Thingwall.

Hugh de Lymme, v. 1245-1258=Emma.

Issue.

1. Alan.
2. Richard.
3. Simon.
4. Beatrix.

Ormerod's account of the Lymme family is somewhat meagre. He proves, however, that Hugh was lord of the Kinderton moiety of Lymme. In addition to his description (*O. i.* 450) we may note that Hugh de Lymme figures as a witness to a charter of Richard fitz Graham de Lostock, dated 1245-9 (*C.W.* 400, 412), and his name occurs in several of the Whalley Abbey deeds (*vid. supra*).

(1) Alan, his eldest son, was living in 1272 (*C.W.* 90) and was succeeded by his heir Gilbert. This Gilbert had at least four sons; but the male line died out and Thomas de Legh of West Hall became his heir general. This Thomas de Legh was descended from Richard, second son of Hugh de Lymme, who married Agnes, daughter of Richard de Legh.

(3) Simon, the third son, is dealt with in the next section.

CHART III—STATHUM IN LYMME

Arms of Stathum—Gules a pale fusillé argent.

Simon de Stathum, Kt. of Stathum, co. Chester
v. c. 1270 = ? . . . sor. William Wylme, of Oughtrington,
co. Ches.

William =
c. 1290

Robert = Cicely, fil. William D'Anyers of Daresbury, co. Ches.
ob. c. 1345

William = f. John Domville of Lymme
v. 1350

John =
ob. a. 1369

Hugh =
ob. a. 1405

William
v. 1405

Johanna
v. 1378

Richard = ? f. John de Legh
v. 1382

Isabella, f. et h. Robert
de Colton, co. Staff.

John
ob. c. 1392

Thomas
v. 1384

Ralph = Goditha

Thomas, de Stockport = Isabella, f. John de Davenport
o.s.p. 1374 o.s.p.

John = Agnes ? f. Richard
a Priest v. 1402
? o.s.p. de Leyland
o.s.p.

CHART IV

Ameria = Thomas, f. Hugh de
Hawarden v. 1429

John = Elena
v. 1438 v. 1439

Thomas

John = Annabel, f. Hugh
v. 1439 de Woolston,
co. Lanc.

Thomas =
v. 1481

Ralph

John

Richard

Thomas de =
Woolston
v. 1486

John, held =
Stathum
ob. 1474

John = Elizabeth
v. 1486

Thomas =
ob. a. 1513

Thomas, sold =
Stathum

Thomas

John =
ob. 1556-7

Adam
ob. 1596-7

III

STATHUMS OF STATHUM IN LYMME, CO. CHESTER

Simon de Stathum, Kt., of Stathum, co. Chester. v. c. 1270.
= ? sor. William Wylme
of Oughttrington.

Issue.

William.

The first reference to the use of Stathum as a surname yet discovered is in a charter of the XIIIth century (*Lansd. Mss.* 269, f. 175 b.). It is a deed of William S. Ledger and is witnessed by Sir Simon de Stathum and William de Stathum. It may be dated about 1270. Stathum was a manor in that half of the vill of Lymme which was held by Hugh de Lymme. It is found in the possession of Simon's descendants and was evidently granted to Hugh's sons as his inheritance. Simon making it his principal residence, naturally assumed it as his surname. The arms used by the de Lymmes were gules, a pale fusillé argent (*O in loc.*), and those borne by the Stathums were exactly the same.

There is reason to believe, although exact proof is lacking, that Simon de Stathum married a sister of a neighbouring landowner, William Wylme of Oughttrington. This William is otherwise known as William Leigh, and was the son of Hamo de Legh (*O. i.* 587).

William de Stathum, of Stathum, co. Cl ester. v. 1290.
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Issue.

Robert.

There is very little known concerning him beyond the fact of his attesting the charter of William de S. Ledger, as mentioned above. In the *Family of Colvile* it is claimed that Isabel, daughter and co-heiress of William de Stathum of Beeston and Smallburgh, co. Norfolk, and whose arms are given as argent, a

pale fusillé gules, was married to Sir Jeffery Wyth about 1300. Blomefield, in his History of Norfolk, in one edition confirms this; but it is certain that the Isabel in question was a daughter of Sir William Stalham and not Stathum. There are a considerable number of deeds in the P.R.O. connected with this family and, although in one or two cases the name might be read as Statham, the majority are clearly Stalham (*A.D. 1203, C. 2, 24, 189, 199 and 20 others*). The Colviles, relying on Blomefield, quarter the arms of Stathum with the tinctures reversed; but do so without sufficient justification.

Robert de Stathum, etc. v. 1345=Cicely, f. William d'Anyers, de Daresbury, co. Chester.

Issue.

1. William.

Beyond the fact that he is mentioned in the Cheshire Plea Rolls (81 m. 27) as the father of William de Stathum and grandfather of Johanna, nothing much is known of him. In 1283 he, with David de Hulton, is mentioned in a charter in Whalley Abbey Coucher Book (890). He married the eldest daughter of William d'Anyers of Daresbury (*O. i. 427*). The pedigree of the d'Anyers family begins in the reign of Hen. III; (*ib.*) but I believe, if it could be traced back, it would be found to have its beginning in William fitz Helgi of Auvers (Alvers) one of Nigel S. Saviour's men in 1090 (*D. ii. 51*). There are signs of a much earlier connection between the two families (*cf. V.H.L.*); but so far I have not been able to work it out satisfactorily.

(2) John his son was living in 1326 and in that year, on Oct. 2, came into court with John Boydel of Lymme, Gilbert de Lymme and Robert del Brom and confessed that they owed £10 to William de Mulneton (*C.P.R. 41, m. 2*). In the same year he, with John de Arderne, kt., Thomas de Legh, Robert de Mascy, Thomas Danyers and ten others, enter into a recognisance with Roger le Blount, Constable of Chester Castle, for £171 4s. 4d. (*C.R.R. 19-20, Ed. II*). He held lands under Laurence de Ferrars and under Ralph de Pleys in Canterbury (*H.R. ii. 546 b.*) and under William Toluze in the same manor of Ralph de Pleys (*ib. 547*). In 1369-70 John Stathum, then dead, is mentioned as one of the feoffees of Ralph, lord Cromwell, in Hucknall Torkard, co. Notts. (*T. ii. 275*).

It is presumed that this John had a son Richard, who is mentioned in the C.P.R. (85, m. 18) as the father of John de Stathum living in 1382. Richard appears also as a witness to a grant by Thomas, the son of Roger Boydell, of an acre of land

on Birom Heath to Thomas del Birom in 1336 (*O. iii. 893*). In 1346 he attests two deeds of John, son of Hugh de Legh at Legh (*H. 2077, e.k.; cf. R.R.C., 16 and 17, Ed. IV, m. 3d.*).

Richard was the father of two sons, Thomas and John. Thomas was in the retinue of Edward the Black Prince, and in 1365 received a safe conduct (*Ry.*). In 1362 he obtained, with John de Handforth and John de Dokenfeld, the wardship and marriage of Richard, son and heir of John de Pecton (*R.R.C., 36-37, Ed. III, m. 1*). He appears to have made Rotly his chief residence, for in 1365-6 he obtained a licence from the bishop of Lichfield for an oratory within that manor (*R.S., vol. v.*). In 1374 a letter of attorney was issued by Robert Lye (de Legh) authorising John Ray of Coventry and Robert de Knightly to deliver to John de Catesby seisin of the manor of Rotly, with all other lands in the same county (Warwick) which Isabella, late wife of Thomas de Stathum, held for life, and those which she held in dower after the death of John de Stafford, her former husband (*A.D. A. 4578*). A further grant by Robert de Legh to John de Catesby conveys all his estate in La Egge Grange in Rotly with all other lands there, lately held by Thomas de Stathum from the abbot of Stonleye. The date is 1374 (*ib. 4667*). He married, about 1363, Isabella, daughter and heiress of John de Davenport, and is sometimes referred to as Thomas de Stockport. In 1364, as Thomas de Stockport, he presents, in right of his wife, John de Massey to the rectory of Stockport (*E. i. 381*). Isabella was married thrice, firstly to Robert de Eton, lord of Stockport, who died about 1350, secondly to John de Stafford, who died about 1360, and lastly to Thomas de Stathum, who died about 1374. She had no issue by any of her husbands. Her pedigree will be found in Ormerod and Earwaker.

John, his brother, received, together with his wife Agnes, in 1395 a grant of lands in Quarndon and Barrow-on-Trent from Robert Fawkenor. The deed is witnessed by John de Farnham, Thomas Vyse, Robert Breton, John Fawkes and others (*A.C. 24, 215*). It is interesting to know that in 1490 Joan, daughter of Sir Henry de Stathum of Morley, and widow of John Sacheverell, granted 5 marcs of yearly rent in Quarndon to the sons of William Sacheverell (*A.D. B. 2973*). As no trace of any issue of John and Agnes has been discovered, it is a sign that the Morley family became their heirs. In 1382, on July 22, an assize was held in Chester to try whether John, the son of Hugh de Stathum, had unjustly disseised Thomas de Hyde of Warneford and Mary his wife of a free tenement in Knutsford. "The aforesaid John comes into Court in his own person and protests that his father's name was Richard and not Hugh," and pleads that the tenement in question is outside the lordship of the aforesaid Thomas and Mary and claims judgment in his favour. The plaintiffs reply

that the tenement aforesaid was held by Thomas de Stathum as of fee and that by deed he covenanted to pay the aforesaid Mary (who was a daughter of William de Tabley) 4 marcs annually, and produced the deed in Court (*C.P.R.* 85, *m.* 18). The result of the trial is unknown, but it may be stated that the land in question belonged to Knutsford Boothes, one of the manors granted to William fitz Nigel. It was in the hands of John de Legh in 1307-1326 and probably came to Richard de Stathum, father of Thomas, and this John as dower with his wife, a daughter of John de Legh. As Thomas died childless in 1374 and Isabella in 1380, John, his brother, would naturally succeed to his personal estates. In February, 1402, in an Inquisition held at Loughborough, John de Stathum and John Farnham (*vid supra*) were members of a jury to assess the "aid" demanded for the marriage of Blanche, the King's eldest daughter (*F.A. iii.* 104). This is further evidence of the descent from the fitz Nigels, through the Lymmes, to the Stathums of the Leicestershire holdings. In 1386-7 Richard, son of Richard de Leylond and Agnes, his wife, granted all their lands in Hale to John de Stathum, clerk, for 12 years for the service of a red rose. It is possible, therefore, that John's wife Agnes was their daughter (*C.P.R.* 10 *Ric. II*). John de Stathum must have died soon after 1402.

William de Stathum, etc. v. 1350.

= f. John Domville of Lymme.

Issue.

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| 1. Hugh. | 2. William. | 3. Johanna. |
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He held a share in the hereditary half of the township of Lymme, as the following *inspeximus* and *exemplificatio* of a plea of 4 Ed. I (1330) made on April 16, 1576, proves.

"That Geoffrey de Warburton, Kt.; John Boydell; John Daniell; William Wilme; William de Stathum; and Richard le Ward held a moiety of the manor of Lymme by one knight's fee and the payment of each of them yearly of 2d. yearly, called "Hissom Silver" (*I.C.* 3/1, 23 *Ed. III*, no. 27).

His wife was, I believe, a daughter of John Domville, with whom he received certain lands in Lymme, Stokes, Wirhale and Lymme Bothes, which had been the dowry received by Robert Domville with his wife, a daughter of Thomas de Legh, and were passed on again as dower to William de Stathum (*Chester Fines, App.* 28, *Rep.* 6).

- (2) William his son, with William de Alkemundelowe and Robert le Harper, was appointed Bedel of the

Hundred of Bucklow in 1396. He paid 11 marcs for the privilege of serving in that office (*C.R.R.* 1396). In 1403 he was a collector of the subsidy (*ib.* 1403) and in 1380 he served on the jury of the Inquisition post mortem of Isabella, widow of Thomas de Stathum (*I.P.M.* 4 *Ric. II*).

(3) Johanna, his daughter, was living in 1378, when an action of unlawful disseisin was opened in her name against Laurence Blaine of Stathum (*C.P.R.* 81, *m.* 17).

Hugh de Stathum, etc. ob. a. 1405.

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Issue.

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| 1. John. | 2. Ralph. | 3. Thomas. |
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Hugh is mentioned in a deed enrolled in the Chester Court in 1405; he was then dead. In 1384 he also appears in a record as the father of Thomas de Stathum. These are the only notices of him that I have discovered.

(2) Ralph, his second son, was the founder of the Derbyshire family, and is dealt with in Section IV.

(3) Thomas was summoned before the Chester Court for "various transgressions" on September 20, 1384 (*C.P.R.* 87, *m.* 33*d.*). In the Plea Roll he is described as Thomas, son of Hugh de Stathum.

John de Stathum, etc. v. 1391=Isabella, f. Robert de Colton, co. Staff.

Issue.

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| 1. Ameria. | Illegitimate children. |
| 1. John. | 2. Thomas. |

By a deed enrolled in the Chester Court in 1405 (*C.P.R.* 6, *Hen. IV*, f. 9), we learn that John de Stathum, son and heir of Hugh de Stathum, gave to John de Stathum, his son, and to the heirs male of his body legitimately begotten, all his lands, tenements, rents and services, with all their appurtenances, in the vill of Lymme, Lymbothes and Stathum. Failing such heirs to his son John, he demised his estates to his son Thomas and his heirs male, with remainder to Richard, son of Ralph de Stathum, and, failing heirs of Richard, to the heirs of William, son of Ralph de Stathum. The deed was witnessed by John Domville;

Thomas de Legh, rector of half of the Church of Lymme; John de Birkin, rector of the other half; John de Clayton; William Daniell of Lymme; Roger de Milington; John Boyddell; William de Stathum, and others. It was given at Stathum on January 15, 1405. This deed is of considerable importance. It shows in a general way the extent of the holdings in Lymme, and proves the connection of Ralph de Stathum of Morley with the Cheshire family. The explanation of this enrolment of his testamentary dispositions is made clear by the future history of his property. His sons John and Thomas were born out of wedlock, and it was an effort on his part to dispossess his daughter Ameria of her rights.

He was living in 1379, because on July 31 in that year he sued Robert de Legh of Aldington, senior, for the possession "of a certain chest" (*C.P.R.* 83, *m.* 22).

In 1385 John de Grey of Codnor, Robert Twyford, Henry de Brainsford, John Curzon of Kedleston, and two others were appointed to make inquisition touching the evil doers who came to Colton, co. Derby, assaulted John Stathum and Isabella his wife, whom the King had taken into his protection, and, after public prohibition by the King's writ against anyone so coming there, assaulted their men and servants and took away their goods and chattels (*P.R.* 8, *Ric. II*). This Commission was issued in response to the following petition, which is to be found in French among the Ancient Petitions (*file* 139, 6937).

"To our most excellent and most gracious lord the king, and the most noble lords and commons of this present parliament do shew and plain them John de Stathum and Isabella his wife, that whereas they being in the protection of our lord the king, against the proclamation of the statute of Northampton made that arms be in no wise carried against the peace came Robynet Foucher, William Adderley and Nicholas de Morle with sundry other evildoers with their assent, to the number of four score men, with force and arms and armed after the manner of war to the great hurt and dismaying of the said John and Isabella and to the disturbance and bad example of the people of our lord the king, did enter into their houses at Colton in the county of Derby and did occupy and maintain their wrongful possession as well as their lands and tenements in fee simple as of their ferm, and did straightly menace all their tenants within the said vill that they should not dare for fear of death to pay their rent, and furthermore all their servants were driven forth by their grievous threats, and their goods and chattels found there to the value of £200 they did take and carry away, and their meadows did mow and carry thence and did cart away in contempt of our lord the king and in offence against his laws and against the protection and proclamation of the statute aforesaid. Of the which things

they pray for remedy as for God and as a work of grace and that the lord de Grey and Master Thomas Wannesleigh and Master Robert Twyford may be empowered to make inquisition of the damage alleged in this bill for the profit of our said lord the king."

In 1391 a John de Stathum appears in an Inquisition P.M.; but this may have been his son (*E. ii.* 292).

His wife would appear to have been Isabella, daughter and heiress of Robert de Colton, a descendant of William de Colton, chamberlain in the Exchequer c. 1272 (*O. ii.* 786).

(1) Ameria, his only legitimate child, after her father's death, fought an action of novel-disseisin against her brother John for the hereditary lands in Lymme. She won her suit; but, as will be seen, it was not until 60 years had passed that her brother's grandson was finally deprived of all authority over the contested estate. She married Thomas de Hawarden, son and heir of Hugh de Hawarden, of Hawarden, co. Flint. Their son John married Annabel, daughter and heir of Hugh de Woolston, co. Lancs. John left two sons, Thomas of Woolston and John of Stathum and Chester. John's son Thomas appears to have sold the manor of Stathum to his cousin, Thomas of Woolston (*V.H.L. iii.* 332 *n.*; 333 *n.*).

(2) John de Stathum of Lymme. *ob.* a. 1438-9=Elena.

They had four sons, Thomas, John, Richard and Ralph. From the Recognisance Rolls of Chester (99, *m.* 3d.) we learn that in 1429 John de Stathum, Thomas de Warburton, John de Legh and Roger de Mulinton entered into a recognisance, under a penalty of 100 marks, to keep the peace towards John de Hawarden of Chester. It is clear that John de Stathum and his sons, supported by the local families, were resisting the order of the Court and preventing as far as they were able the full transfer of the Stathum lands to the Hawardens. John was living in 1428 (*E. ii.* 292); but the date of his death is uncertain. Elena his wife was living in 1438-9 and was arrested with her three sons for breach of the peace against John de Hawarden (*C.P.R.* 16 and 17; *Hen. VI.* *m.* 7d.).

Of John's three younger sons nothing is known. One of them may have been the ancestor of the Allostock family mentioned below.

His eldest son, Thomas, was very active in the feud against the Hawardens, as is evidenced by three entries in the Chester Recognisance Rolls. The first is dated 1474, the second 1475, and the third 1481 (*C.R.R.* 14-15, *Ed. IV*; 21-22, *Ed. IV*). They are all recognisances for keeping the peace with Thomas de Hawarden and his tenants and servants.

Thomas, who probably died about 1485, was succeeded by a son John, who, in 1486, goes before William Stanley, chamberlain of Chester, and acknowledges a certain release to be his and asks

that it may be enrolled. The release is given in full and is as follows (*C.R.R.* 1-2, *Hen. VII, m. 7d.*):

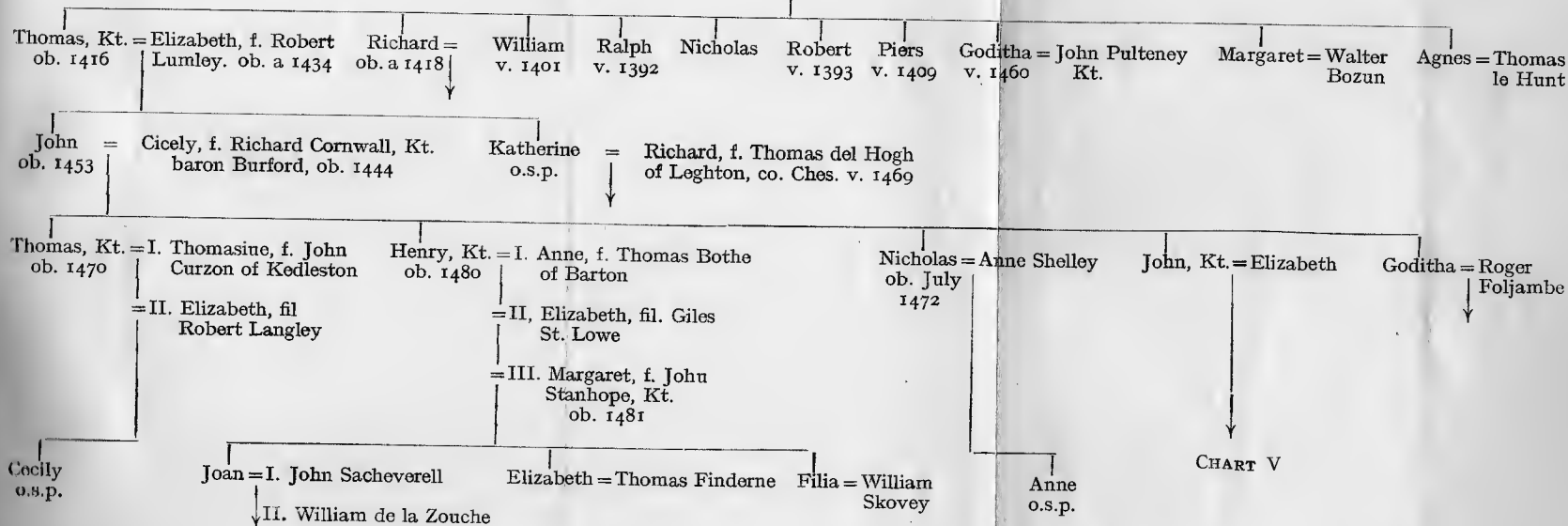
"To all Christ's faithful, etc. John Stathum, son and heir of Thomas Stathum, greeting. Whereas Thomas Hawarden, relative and heir of John, son of Hugh Stathum, was seised and stands possessed in his demesne as of fee and in all those messuages, lands, tenements, meadows, pastures, rents and services with their appurtenances which formerly belonged to the aforesaid John, son of Hugh in Lymme, Lymmebothes and Stathum in the county of Chester, and all which and singular a certain Ameria, daughter and heir of the said John, son of Hugh and grandmother of the aforesaid Thomas Hawarden, recovered by a certain writ of novel disseisin against John Stathum, bastard brother of the said Ameria and grandfather of the aforesaid John, son of Thomas Stathum, before the Justiciar of Chester. Know, therefore, that I, John, son of Thomas Stathum, not only approve, ratify and confirm the possession of the aforesaid Thomas Hawarden of and in all the aforesaid messuages, etc., for me and my heirs to the aforesaid Thomas Hawarden, his heirs and assigns; but also that I, by these presents, have remitted and released to the aforesaid Thomas Hawarden, etc., my whole status, right, title and interest which I have in the same, etc. In witness whereof I have affixed my seal to this present deed. Given at Lymme aforesaid the 18 October, 1486."

This is as far as the elder line can be traced without a break; but the name does not disappear from the records. In 1447 a pardon is recorded to Roger Statham of Lostok on the petition of himself and William Statham, yeoman (*P.R.*, 25 *Hen. VI*). In the Chester Probate Office there are to be found the wills of Edward and Peter Statham of Allostock, who both died in 1616. There are also numerous other wills of the XVIIth century. I have been unable, however, to connect any of the later individuals with the John Stathum of 1486; but further research may eventually enable this to be done.

CHART IV—STATHUMS OF MORLEY

Arm of Stathums of Morley.—(Quarterly) 1. Gules, a pale fusillé argent.
 2. Argent, a lion rampant sable, crowned or (Morley).
Arms of Mascy.—Argent, chevron between 3 lozenges sable.
Arms of de la Launde.—Gules, fess or, between 3 bezants.
Arms of Okeover.—Ermine, on a chief gules 3 bezants.

Ralph de Stathum, Kt. of Morley
 co. Derby, ob. 1380 = Goditha, f. et h. Roger de Masci
 de Sale, Kt. co. Chester, ob. 1418



IV

STATHUMS OF MORLEY, CO. DERBY

Ralph de Stathum, kt., lord of Morley, co. Derby, and Callow,
co. Northants. *ob.* 13.6.1380.
=Goditha, f. et. h. Roger de
Masci de Sale. *ob.* 1418.

Issue.

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| 1. Thomas. | 6. Robert. |
| 2. Richard. | 7. Piers. |
| 3. William. | 8. Goditha. |
| 4. Ralph. | 9. Margaret. |
| 5. Nicholas. | 10. Agnes. |

In the Pipe Roll for co. Northants for the year 1377-8 Ralph de Stathum and Editha his wife are returned as owing 10 sh. for the licence granted for half the manor of Callow, and in the Roll for 1379-80 "Ralph de Stathum and Editha his wife return account for 10 sh. for the licence granted for half the manor of Callow with its appurtenances as is contained in the preceding roll and in the first roll for Northampton and in the roll for 51 Edw. III" (1376-77). In 1377 Goditha Stathum has a confirmation with Ralph her husband for free warren in Callow and Snelston, she being cousin and heir of John de la Launde (*P.R.* 51, *Ed. III m.* 2). A deed, in French, exists containing the award of Sir Hugh de Calveleghe, Sir John de Burley, Sir John Devereux, Sir Brian de Stapleton and Sir Rauf de Stathum, esquires, touching the arms claimed by the gentleman of the name of Massy (*H.* 1424). In May, 1380, a Commission of Oyer and Terminer was issued to John de Grey of Codnor, etc., on the complaint of the king's uncle, John duke of Lancaster, that whereas from time immemorial he has had the right of stray animals in his Honour of Tutbury, Ralph de Stathum, senior, Thomas de Stathum, Ralph de Stathum, junior, Richard de Stathum, William de Stathum, Robert de Stathum, John de Stathum and others captured 12 mares, 30 oxen, 30 cows, 20 bullocks, valued at 100 marcs, at Morley, Callow and Wirksworth, co. Derby, cut down and carried away growing trees, dug in his mine,

assaulted his tenants and practised such oppressions and extortions in the Court of Ralph the elder on his tenants that the greater part of them left their tenures (*P.R.* 3, *Ric. II*, May 1, 1380). In 1379 an Inquisition was held at Derby before Ralph de Stathum and others to enquire whether the subsidy granted in the last Parliament was faithfully assessed within the county of Derby (*L.S.R.* 91/27, 1379-80). From an Inquisition P.M., held at Derby in 1399-00, it appears that "Ralph Stathum held 1 messuage, 2 cottages and 40 acres of land in Horsley from the earl of Huntingdon, by whose treason it was escheated to the king, valued at 100 sh. This land came to William Stathum, armiger, who was living at the time of the enquiry. The vill of Horsley belonged to Horston Castle. They were granted to the earl by the king for life" (*I.P.M.*, 1 *Hen. IV*, part 2 a.).

Sir Ralph was knight of the shire for Derbyshire in 1365, 1373, 1376 and 1379 (*G.*). He was a soldier, and it is not impossible that he was present at the battle of Poitiers. He may also have taken part in the French war which lasted from 1369 to 1375. If so, he must have returned with the Black Prince in 1371, or soon after.

Goditha, his wife, was the daughter of Roger de Masci de Sale. Through her mother she was descended from the ancient families of Morley and de la Launde and also from the Okeovers. Her son Thomas in 1408-9 recovered half the manor of Callow from Thomas Okeover (*Staff. Coll.* vii-44).

There is an interesting document (*A.C.* 5242) dated July 3, 1393, by which Roger, prior of Breadsall Park, releases Goditha, the widow of Ralph de Stathum of Morley, Thomas de Stathum, Richard de S., William de S., and Robert de S., his sons, from all actions, personal complaints and demands existing between them from the beginning of the world to the date of the deed. The prior was Roger de Upton, who was appointed by Sir Thomas de Wendesley in 1384.

Sir Ralph and his wife were both buried in the parish church of Morley, and the following inscriptions may still be found there.

"Orate pro anima Radulphi de Stathum quondam domini de Morley qui istam capellam fieri fecit et obiit xiii die Junii anno domini Mccclxxx et pro anima Godythe uxoris sue nuper domine de Morley predicto que presentem ecclesiam cum campanili de novo construxit que obiit xvi die Maii Anno domini Mccccxviii quarum animarum et pro eisdem exorantium propicietur deus Amen."

"Orate pro animabus Godithe de Stathum domine de Morley [et pro anima] Ricardi filii sui qui campanile istud et ecclesiam fieri fecerunt . . . quibus tenent Anno domini millesimo cccc° tercio."

A detailed account of the property inherited by Goditha

as final co-heiress of the Morleys, is given in a deed recorded in *Derbyshire Charters* (*J.* 1726). In addition to the manor of Morley, there were 8 bovates in Wilne; 4 virgates in Hemington and one third of the manor of Wartnaby, co. Leic.; and various other parcels of land in Shardlow, etc.

(2) Richard, given above as the second son, was possibly the eldest. He and William his brother are mentioned in his great-uncle's will as his contingent heirs (*vid. supra*), whilst he is closely associated with his mother as a benefactor to Morley church. He is generally supposed to have married Emma, daughter and heir of John de Bourdon, of Bourdon, co. Northants, and widow of Sir Edmund D'Oyley of Lytchurch, co. Derby. It is open to question, however, whether the Richard de Stathum who married this lady were not a grandson of Sir Ralph. Emma and her husband were living in 1420, and it is extremely doubtful that any son of Sir Ralph survived to that date. I imagine that it was a son of Richard that made this marriage. In 1420 Thomas Bolton, clerk, gave the king 33 sh. for licence to agree with Richard de Stathum and Emma his wife, and Sir John de Mantell and Elizabeth his wife, for the manors of Overhayford and Netherhayford, co. Northants. (*B.R. Easter*, 8 *Hen. VI*). As Sir Thomas de Stathum the undoubted lord of Morley, died about 1416, it seems clear that he must have been the eldest son, otherwise Richard's son would have inherited Morley. Richard de Stathum, described as of Derby, was a mainpernor for a criminal in 1390 (*P.R.* 15 *Ric. II*). For some reason he was outlawed, for in 1393 we find that Richard de Stathum of co. Derby received a pardon of outlawry at the suit of Avice de Massey on account of the death of her husband, Henry Massey of Morley (*P.R.* 23, 6, 17 *Ric. II*). In 1399 a Commission was issued to "Sir Ralph de Radclyf, Sir Robert de Legh, Peter de Legh, Thomas de Stathum, John Pigot, William de Ipstones, Richard de Stathum and Thomas Foljambe on information that divers artificers, labourers and laymen, who do not hold land or tenements of the yearly value of 40 shillings, keep harriers, greyhounds and other hunting dogs in the counties of Derby and Stafford and ferret hedges with herepipes (*i.e.* a snare for hares), strings and other engines for their capture and destruction, contrary to the statute lately passed at Westminster." To enquire and certify touching the same (*P.R.* 17 *Ric. II*). In the Exchequer L.T.R. Memoranda Roll (168, 4 *Hen. IV*) a writ is found addressed to the Chancellor of the duchy of Lancaster, ordering him to distrain by the sheriff of the county upon the executors of Peter de Legh and William Ipstones, because they had made no return to the writ of 17 *Ric. II* with reference to poachers, etc. It is also recorded that Thomas de Stathum and Richard de Stathum were exonerated for not having made a return. Probably because they were on the

King's service. Richard held a free tenement in Derby in socage valued at £6, and his son Richard held the same tenement in 1431. The younger Richard is spoken of as "of Northampton" (*F.A. i. 277*). In 1413 the younger Richard together with Richard de Dinton, received a grant from John de Berde of Derby of a messuage with buildings in Derby opposite the bridge across the Odbroke, called S. Peter's Bridge. The grant was witnessed by John del Hay; William Payn, bailiff of Derby; Thomas de Shore; Ralph de Shore and Thomas Hewse. On the back of the deed is written "de Berden Place, Derby" (*A.D. B. 1250*). This is probably the same messuage referred to in a lease, dated 1331, from Roger de Masci of Morley and Lucy his wife of a messuage in Briggegate called "Morley halleyerde" (*A.M. 5239*). The following would also appear to refer to Richard junior: "Pardon to Richard de Stathum of Morley, co. Derby, apprentice of the law, alias sqwyer, alias gentilman, for the death of William Tokesay of Coventry, co. Warwick, baker, and William Popehert, son of the wife of William Popehert of Morley, alias William Popard, alias William de Helum of Derby" (*P.R. 3 Hen. IV*).

(3) William, the third son, appears to have been attached to the court, first as esquire to the King's brother, John de Holland, earl of Huntingdon, and eventually as esquire to Henry IV. In the P.R. of Ric. II (*Nov. 7, 1392*) there is recorded "an *inspeximus* and confirmation to William Stathum, esquire of the King's brother, John de Holland, earl of Huntingdon, of letters patent of the said John, dated at Kennington Manor, 13 Feb. 1390, being a grant to the said William for the term of the grantor's life of £10 a year from the issues of Horston Castle, granted to the earl by the King, with this addition that if he survived the said earl he is to receive the same for his life." In 1401 Henry IV grants for life to the King's esquire William Stathum, £20 yearly from the issue of the manor and lordship of Fremington, co. Devon (*P.R. 2 Hen. IV*). William was present at the battle of Agincourt with the Cheshire archers. In 1382 Amicia, the widow of Henry Massey, sues him and his brother Richard for certain land (*C.R.R. 6 Ric. II 59 d.*). In Dec., 1431, a William de Stathum "of London" is proved to be seised of a free tenement in socage in Snelston, co. Derby (*F.A. i.; 296*). This must refer to another grandson of Sir Ralph; but his parentage is unknown. In 1391 a pardon to Robert Haynes of Ramburg is recorded at the supplication of William de Stathum (*P.R. 15 Ric. II*).

(4) Ralph, the fourth son, is mentioned thrice in the P.R. Once in 1386, where he is pardoned all felonies committed by him before Palm Sunday, 1385 (9 Ric. II, April 20). In 1393 this pardon is renewed "out of regard for Good Friday," because the licence sealed at another time was sealed by privy seal

(*ib. 17 Ric. II*). In 1392 Robert Glover of Dover is pardoned for the murder of William Horner, killed at Derby on the Sunday before midsummer, 1382, at the supplication of Ralph de Stathum (*ib.*).

(5) Nicholas is not mentioned in any contemporary record.

(6) Robert. The only known fact about this son is that he was living in 1393 (*vid. supra*).

(7) Piers. Was a priest and rector of the free chapel of Mirabeau, Lincoln diocese, previous to 1374. In that year he was collated to the canonry and prebend in the collegiate church of Gnosale, co. Stafford, on exchange with his brother Thomas (*R.S. iv. 145*). His name appears as witness to a deed in 1409 (*F.H.D. iii. 407*).

(8) Goditha married Sir John Pulteney. Probably the same knight who held the fee of one knight in Chevele, co. Cambs., and other fees in Norfolk, Hertford and Suffolk (*F.A. i. and ii.*).

(9) Margaret was married to Walter Bozun of Bucks. He was probably one of the sons of Sir John Bozun.

(10) Agnes married Thomas le Hunt of Ashover. He was either the third son of John le Hunt living in 1365, or the son of Nicholas living in 1379. The latter seems to be more probable, although Glover gives the name of his first wife as Alice.

Thomas de Stathum, kt., lord of Morley and Callow, co. Derby.
ob. 1416-17.

=Elizabeth, f. Robert Lumley, of
Oldthorpe, co. Northants, m.
18.6.1385, *ob. a. 1434.*

Issue.

1. John.

2. Katherine.

The earliest notice of Thomas is the following entry in the register of bishop Stretton, dated August, 1364. "Thomas, son of Ralph Stathome, clerk, instituted to the canonry and prebend which Master Jordan de Holme held in the Collegiate Church of Gnoushall in exchange with the canonry and prebend of E. in the Collegiate Church of Blessed Mary-by-the-Castle, Leicester" (*R.S. iv. 117*). As stated above he exchanged this canonry at a later date with his brother Piers. In 1387 a Commission of Oyer and Terminer was issued to Robert Bealknap and others, on the complaint of John, duke of Lancaster, that, although the king had taken him under his protection, Thomas de Stathum, Thomas servant de Stathum and many others had broken into his parks and closes at Duffield, Wirksworth, etc.,

and hunted in his free chaces and warren there (*P.R. 11 Ric. II*). In 1405-6 Thomas de Stathum with William Wigley were accused of wrongly disseising Thomas Okeover of his tenement in Callow. Three years later the verdict "Okeover nil capiat" was given and henceforth half the manor of Callow became the property of the Stathums (*A.M. 6697, Pleas of Ass. in various counties, 7 Hen. IV*). In 1424 reference is made to a suit between Thomas de Stathum and John Hernyll for 2 acres in Callow. It is therein stated that Thomas died on the Monday next before the feast of S. M. . . . in the year 4 Hen. V (1415-6) (*C.R.R. 2 Hen. VI, Derby*). The defence made by John, son and heir of Thomas, was that Henry, son and heir of John Hernyll released and quitted all his rights and lands, etc., to Thomas de Stathum by a deed dated the Feast of S. Laurence, 1396. In 1432 we learn (*C.R.R. 12 Hen. VI, Trinity*) that Elizabeth, wife of Robert Lumley and then wife of Thomas de Stathum, was consanguineous and heir to John de Buckingham, bishop of Lincoln, and had the manors of Holwell in Shitlington, co. Staff. and Henlow, co. Beds. In 1396 a pardon was granted to John Bailly of Ashlehay for not appearing to answer Thomas de Stathum touching a trespass (*P.R. 20 Ric. II*). He and his brother William were present at the battle of Agincourt and are inscribed on the battle roll among the Cheshire Archers (*F.H.D. ii. 144*). It is of considerable interest to note that the Derbyshire family kept up its connection with Cheshire.

He was buried in Morley Church; but his brass is missing. The remains of a mutilated stone slab existed in 1879 with " . . . de Stathum quondam . . . cujus " still decipherable engraved upon it. This undoubtedly refers to him (*C. iv*).

His wife was Elizabeth, only daughter, not widow, of Robert Lumley of Heyford and Harleston, co. Northants (*cf.* under Richard above). In 1381 a feoffment in trust was made of the manors of Althorp and Harleston and land and tenements in Over Heyford, Nether Heyford, Brington, Collingtree and Brockhole, with the advowson of Heyford, and was executed by Robert Lumley. In 1389 the feoffee surrendered the manor of Althorp to the said Robert for life with remainder to Thomas de Stathum and Elizabeth his wife, daughter of the said Robert, in *fee tail*. This, so far as Althorp was concerned, was afterwards revoked (*B. i. 105, 167*).

(2) Katherine, his daughter, was married to Richard, son of Thomas del Hogh of Leghton, co. Chester. At least that is what appears to be probable. He died without issue and his aunt Cecily, wife of Richard le Grosvenor, succeeded to his estate.

John de Stathum, lord of Morley, etc. *ob.* 7 Nov., 1453.
=Cecily, f. Richard Cornwall, kt.
baron Burford, co. Hereford,
ob. 25 April, 1444.

Issue.

1. Thomas.
2. Henry.
3. Nicholas.

4. John.
5. Goditha.

From various sources we learn that he was seised of considerable property in Derbyshire. In 1431-2 at an Inquisition of Knights' Fees at Derby, John Stathum of Morley, armiger, was returned as holding the manor of Morley, half the manor of Callow, a free tenement in Wilne, a second tenement in the Hundred of Lytchurch, valued at £2 (*F.A. i. 293, 295*). From the *L.S.R.* (91/93, 8.8, 1450) we find that he paid for £51 and for 50 sh. Thomas, his son, paid for £6 13 4 and 3 sh. He was a Collector of the Subsidy in 1432 (*ib.* 91/63, 11 *Hen. VI*). In 1434 an assize was held in Bedford to discover whether John de Buckingham, bishop of Lincoln (1362-98) had unjustly disseised Robert, son of John Avenel, of the manor of Holewell in Shitlington, Shefford and Henlowe. Elizabeth, wife of Robert Lumley, and secondly of Thomas de Stathum, was a relative of and heir to the bishop and therefore John her son was heir. Robert Avenel married the daughter of Robert Belknappe and Juliana, his wife (*C.R.R. Trin. 12 Hen. VI, m. 93*). John de Stathum was Sheriff of Derby in 1445 (*G.*) and he was one of those appointed to receive the oaths of fealty in 1433 (*ib.*).

The most interesting record in connection with John de Stathum is an indenture made between him and the prior of Breadsall Park in 1453 (*A.C. 5243*) in which it is agreed that for a sum of 7 marcs for the roofing of the priory church and for the glazing thereof the convent should henceforward say daily a "secretum," a collect and a "post communion" for the souls of Godith, Thomas, Elizabeth, Cecily and John, their heirs and successors for ever. It was also agreed that on the feast of the Eleven Thousand Virgins a Requiem Mass and other devotional exercises should be said. The Collect, Secretum and Post Communion are given in full and are as follows:

"O God, Who art our Redemption and didst elect to be born in the Land of Promise before all lands, and who didst therein endure death: graciously deliver from the hands of the demons the souls of thy servants, and the souls of Godith, Thomas,

Elizabeth, Cecily and John, their heirs and successors and the souls of all the faithful departed; and deliver the same land from the power of the pagans; and grant that thy faithful people may, through thy grace, obtain amendment of life and of thy great pity succour all those that trust in thee."

"Almighty and Eternal God, Redeemer of souls to be saved and the Ransom of all mankind; graciously have mercy on the souls of Goditha, etc. That whatsoever defilement of evil they may have contracted through the wiles of the devil and their own iniquities Thou, of thy favour, wilt pitifully and mercifully wash away; and deliver from the hands of the enemies of the Cross the land which Jesus Christ thy Son, our Lord, consecrated by his own blood; and mercifully guide into the way of eternal salvation the vows of those of thy children of Israel who are set upon its redemption."

"O God, of whose mercy there is no end and to whom alone it appertaineth to afford healing remedy after death, who art the life of the living, the salvation of all who believe in thee; and who has vouchsafed to redeem by thine own blood the Land polluted by the sin of the children of Esau, by the virtue of this Sacrament cleanse from all sins the souls of Goditha, etc.; and graciously deliver them from the penalties which they deserve for the same; and by thy grace take into thine own possession the faithless and rebellious people; and most pitifully extend thy succouring hand to all those who trust in thy mercy; who livest and reignest, etc."

In connection with this indenture it is of great interest to note that there still exists in Morley Church a requiem plate which Cox in his *Derbyshire Churches* describes as "of a most exceptional if not unique character." This plate is appropriately fixed exactly over the piscina and bears the following inscription: "for the Sowles of Ralph Godytha Thomas Elizabeth Cecill and John and of their successors and for all cristen Sowles Depfundis, etc.; pater noster, etc.; Ave Maria; et ne nos; requiem eternam, etc.; Domine exaudi oracionem; with yis orison Inclina Domine, etc.; John Stathum ordynd yis to be said and more writen in other divers bokis." The "more writen in other divers bokis" undoubtedly refers to the prayers given above. It may be credited that the pious anxiety about the Holy Land exhibited in these prayers was attributable to the fall of Constantinople in May, 1453, the news of which must have been circulating in England about the date of this indenture, October 31, 1453.

Both John and his wife were buried in Morley Church and are commemorated by two brasses. The first reads: "Orate pro anima Johannis Stathum armigeri, quondam Domini istius

ville qui bene et notabiliter hanc ecclesiam egit qui obiit vii die Novembris Anno Domini Millesimo ccccliii°. Et pro anima Cecilie uxoris eius que obiit xxv° die Aprilis Anno Domini Millesimo cccclxliiii° quorum animabus propicietur deus." The second brass exhibits the figures of John and Cecily and bears the following inscription: "Here lieth John Stathum squyer somtyme lord of this towne and Cecily his wyfe. Which gat to yis church iii belles and ordynd iiis. iiid. yerely for brede to be done in almes amonge pore folk of ys parisch in ye daye of ye obit of dame Godith sometyme lady of ys towne. The said John died the vi day of Novembre ye yere of our Lord Mccccliiii and the said Cecily died the xxv day of April the yere of our lord Mccccxliiii of whose sowles God have mercy Amen." There is a discrepancy between the dates of the death of John which may be ascribed to the engraver's error.

His wife Cecily was one of the five children of Richard Cornwall, baron of Burford, who traced his descent direct from Richard, earl of Cornwall, second son of King John. A pedigree of this family will be found in *H. xxviii.* 145.

- i. **Thomas de Stathum**, kt., lord of Morley, etc. *ob.* July 27, 1470. =I. Thomasine, f. John Curzon of Kedleston.
=II. Elizabeth, f. Robert Langley.

Issue.

Cecily.

Beyond the fact that in his younger days he was a retainer of Lord Hastings (*A.M.* 6696, 75*b*) and saw service in France, little is known about him. In 1435 a Commission issued to John, earl of Huntingdon, and others to take at Berhamdown on July 28th the muster of Thomas Stathum, Ralph Stathum and eleven others of the men at arms and archers about to proceed to France (*P.R.* 13 *Hen. VI*). It is evident that Sir Thomas took part in the hopeless struggle to maintain the English ascendancy in France which practically collapsed with the death of the duke of Bedford in 1435. It has not been possible to trace the Ralph Stathum mentioned above; but it is possible that he was a member of the Cheshire family. Two years later a pardon to John Richardson of Alsop was issued for not appearing to answer Thomas de Stathum of Morley touching a plea of debt for 10 marcs (*ib.* 15 *Hen. VI*). In March, 1469, he was placed on a commission of the Peace for Derbyshire (*ib.* 9 *Ed. IV*).

His will, made in June, 1469, and proved January 1, 1470, is an interesting document, and is given in Appendix III. It discloses the connection which had existed between the Statham family and Nottingham. Richard fitz Nigel held at least two manors in that shire, and some portions of them may have been retained by his descendants. The 200 masses provided for in Sir Thomas' will to be said at the Grey Friars, Nottingham, were to be done in the said form as the said friars did them for his father, John. In addition to his manors of Callow and Morley, he held land in Wessington and Idrighay, co. Derby (*F.A. i. 492*).

He was buried in Morley Church and the tomb so carefully outlined in his will still stands and bears the following inscription. "Orate pro animabus Thome Statham militis nuper domini hujus ville qui obiit xxvii die Julii anno domini Mccccxx et domine Elizabeth uxoris et filie Roberti Langley Armigeri ac Thomasine alterius uxoris et filie Johannis Curzon quorum animabus propicietur deus Amen."

There is some mistake about the date of his death, for his will was proved in January, 1470. It may be that the date, July 27, 1470, refers to the death of his second wife, Elizabeth; but it is much more probable that the will was not proved until January, 1471, as the codicil was made in June, 1470.

On the tombs are various shields bearing the following arms: 1. Quarterly, Morley (arg. a lion rampant sable, crowned or.) and Statham (Gu. a pale fusillé arg.); 2. Morley and Statham quarterly impaling Langley (Arg. a cockatrice sable, membered gu.); 3. Morley and Statham quarterly impaling Curzon (Arg. on a bend sable, 3 popinjays or.).

His first wife, Thomasine, was the eldest daughter of John Curzon of Kedleston. She was one of a family of 17. His second wife was Elizabeth, daughter of Robert Langley. In all probability the Ralph Langley appointed as one of the executors to Sir Thomas' will was her nephew.

His only child Cecily appears to have died unmarried during her father's lifetime.

2. **Henry de Statham**, kt., lord of Morley, etc. *ob.* 30 April, 1480.
 =I. Anne, f. Thomas Boothe of Barton.
 =II. Elizabeth, f. et h. Giles St. Lowe of Mayton, co. Norfolk.
 =III. Margaret, f. John Stanhope, kt.

Issue by II.

1. Joan. 2. Elizabeth. 3. A daughter.

Henry succeeded to his heirless brother Thomas. The earliest reference to him is in 1439 when he was appointed with Thomas Curtes as attorney for Roger Coke of Codnor and Cecily his wife (*W.C. 4, 15*). He served on Commissions of the Peace for Derbyshire in 1473, 1475 and 1476; and in 1475 was Sheriff of the County. In 1474 the alienation of the advowson of Heanor Church was granted to him and one other (*P.R. and G.*).

He was buried in Morley Church and the inscription on his tomb is as follows: "Orate pro animabus Henrici Statham nuper domini hujus ville qui obiit xxx^o die Aprilis Anno Domini Mcccclxxx Et domine Anne filie Thome Bothe domini de Barton Elizabeth filie Egidii Seynclow et Margarete filie Johannis Stanhop uxorum ei quorum animabus propicietur deus amen." There are five small figures on the tomb representing his son and four daughters. His son and probably two daughters died in infancy. The four shields on the tomb contain the following arms: (1) Morley and Statham, quarterly. (2) Statham impaling Bothe (arg., 3 boars heads erased and erect, sable, (3) Statham impaling Stanhope (sable, a bend between six cross-crosslets, arg.), (4) Statham impaling St. Lowe (ermine, a chevron gules) (C).

His first wife was Anne, daughter of Sir Thomas del Bothe of Dunham Massey, co. Chest., and of Barton, co. Lancs. His second was the only child of Giles St. Lowe and brought the manor of Mayton, co. Norfolk, to her husband. Giles St. Lowe was in all probability a descendant of the family of that name which was settled at Newton St. Lo in Somerset as early as 1190 (*cf. B.N. v. 504; x. 419*). His third wife was Margaret, only daughter of Sir John Stanhope of Elswick, co. Northumb., and Ulsworth, co. Durham. She was married after 1472 and died in 1481. A pedigree of the Stanhopes will be found in *L. i. 479*.

(1) His eldest daughter, Joan, married John Sacheverell, the second son of Ralph Sacheverell of Hopwell, by Joan, daughter of John Curzon of Kedleston. She carried to her husband the Morley estate, which made the fifth time it had been transferred through a daughter to another family. It remained in the Sacheverell family in the direct line until 1638, when it passed by will to Henry Sacheverell of Barton, a lineal descendant of William, the second son of Henry who died in 1558. It eventually came into the possession of the Sitwells. After the death of her husband in 1485 Joan married, before 1487, William Zouche of Castle Eton and Hampton Meysey, co. Glouc. (*A.D. B. 3360*). A demise exists, dated 18 May, 1487, by which Henry Rolleston, John Bradshawe, William Dethick, clerk (Rector of Breadsall), William Sacheverell, Henry

Stathum and Henry Reddeford, chaplain, grant to William Zouche and Joan his wife, daughter and heiress of Henry Stathum, late lord of Morley, for their lives, all the messuages and lands, etc., in Smalley which they had of the grant of the said Joan, with remainder to her right heirs. Another document (*ib. B. 2973*) dated April 6, 1490, proves that both were living at that date.

(2) His second daughter married Thomas Findern, a member of a distinguished Derbyshire family, and his third daughter is reputed to have married Thomas Skovey.

3. Nicholas de Stathum, kt., Second Baron of the Exchequer, M.P., the third son of John of Morley, was Reader of Lincoln's Inn in 1471, and M.P. for Old Sarum in the parliament of 1467. He was granted, during good behaviour, the office of Second Baron of the Exchequer "immediately after the present holder John Clerke dies." His patent is dated 30 Oct., 1467 (*P.R. 7 Ed. IV*). In 1471 he and Sir John Dynham, Sir John Fogge and William Notingham were appointed Justices to enquire into the rebellion in the counties of Kent and Surrey (*ib. 11 Ed. IV*). He was also, with Sir Thomas Bourchier, Sir John Dynham and others appointed as Justices to try the rebels within the Cinque Ports. He was the author of the earliest known Abridgment of the Laws. It was printed by R. Pynson as *Epitome Annualium Librorum, tempore Henrici Sexti*, London, 1495. Other editions appeared in 1588 and 1679. We find frequent references to him in the Patent Rolls, chiefly concerned with Commissions of the Peace for Derbyshire. These were issued in 1462, 1463 twice, 1467, 1468, 1469, 1470, 1471 twice, and 1472. In 1468 he acted as executor of the will of John Heron (*A.D., C. 950*) and was used as a trustee by several of his relations and friends (*A.D.: A. 5767, 12183, A.M. 26085*).

His will was made in London on July 15, 1472, and proved on August 5, the same year. Full extracts from it will be found in App. iv. His brother John's wife, Dame Elizabeth, in addition to his brother Henry, are mentioned therein. A bequest is made to Morley Church by which the image of the Virgin there was to be repainted. The will is remarkable for its exhibition of the testator's tender conscience as well as of his loyal devotion to his wife, Anne, daughter of . . . Shelley of Kent. His only child, Anne, appears to have survived him; but, so far, nothing has been found concerning her.

4. John, the fourth son, is dealt with in Section V.

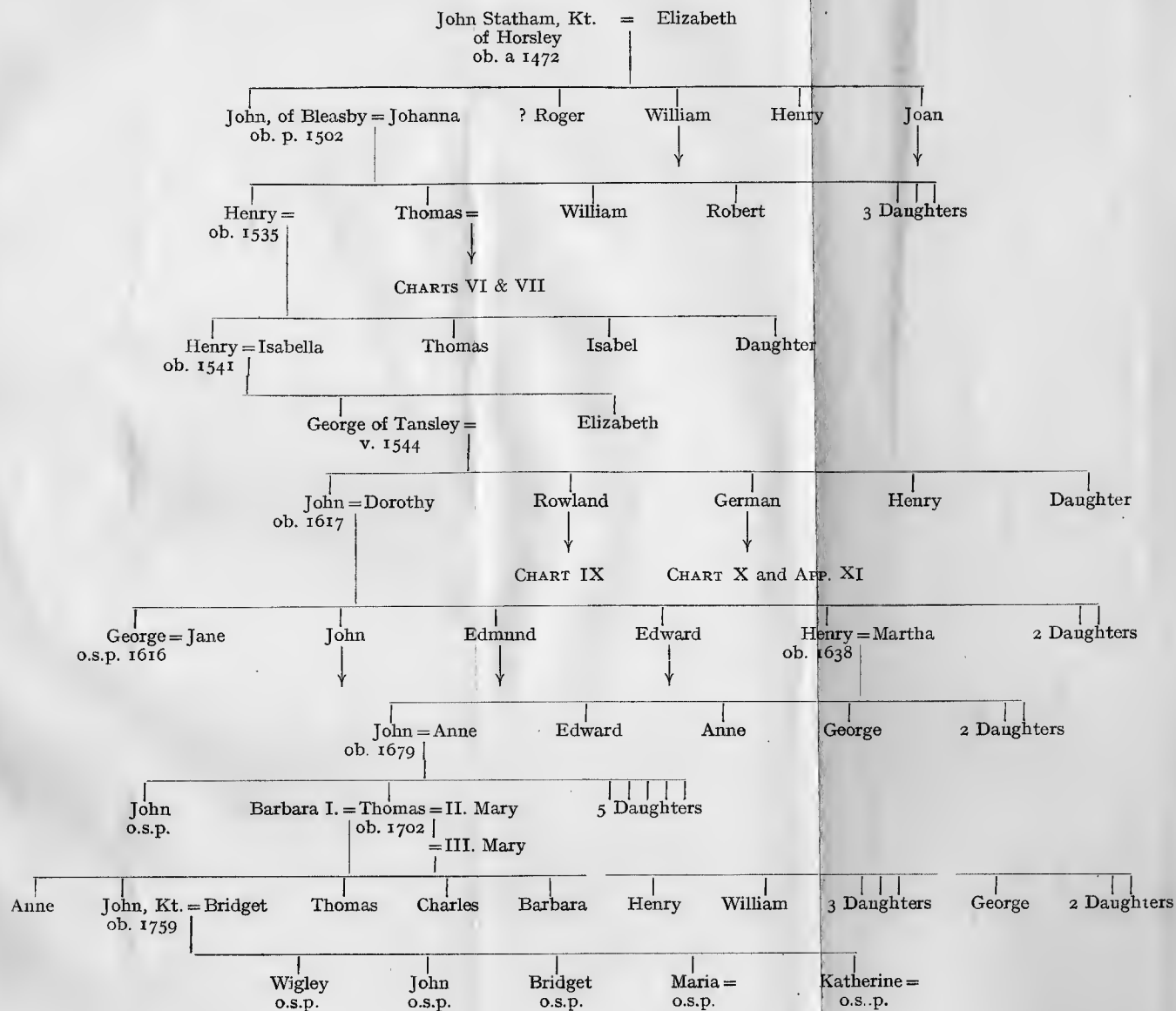
5. Goditha, John of Morley's daughter, was married to Roger, son and heir of Sir Edward Foljambe of Tideswell. He died in 1447-8 without male issue. In 1468 we find a power of attorney from Sir John Grysley, Sir Thomas Stathum and others to John Stathum and John Coke of Walton, by which they were

empowered "to deliver to Godith Foljambe, widow of Roger Foljambe, Esq., seisin of the manor of Tyddeswall and of all other lands, etc., in Tyddeswell, Huklow, Wormehylle, etc., which they had of the demise of John Spondon, abbot of Dale, and others, to the use of the said Godith for life" (*J. 2362, 5 April*). Her brother, Sir Thomas, bequeathed to her 5 nobles that she owed him, to bind her daughter, Lucy, apprentice in London, or should she desire not to be apprenticed then the 5 nobles were to be used as a marriage dowry. Her brother, Sir Nicholas, left ten marcs to her children, or, in the event of his own daughter being married or dead at his decease, 30 marcs. She died after July, 1469, and before July, 1472. She left three daughters: Jane, who married John Dethick of Breadsall. He died before 1522, for in that year we find an "agreement between Rauf Beyrd of Nether Locko, gent., and Jane Dethike of Breadsall, widow, for the marriage of Richard Bridde (Bird), his son and heir, with Margaret, daughter of the said Jane." The agreement is dated 22.8.1522 (*J. 1553*).

Her daughter, Goditha, was married to Henry, son and heir of John Rolleston, of Swerkston, as his second wife. He was a direct descendant of Sir Ralph de Rolleston, co. Staff., who was living in 1286.

Her third daughter, whose name is unknown, married Nicholas Ashley of Chellaston.

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V

STATHAMS OF HORSLEY, BLEASBY, TANSLEY,
TIDESWELL AND WIGWELL

John Statham, kt. of Horsley, co. Derby. *ob.* a. July, 1472.
=Elizabeth, f. Thomas Milner of
Horsley.

Issue.

1. John.
2. Roger ?

3. William.
4. Joan.

He appears to have been a retainer of the king and to have eventually received the grant of the castle and lordship of Horston. He was, in 1457, receiver of the monies due to John, earl of Shropshire, from his lands in Wingfield and Crich (*A.D.* 6697). In 1468 he is mentioned in the deed quoted above (*J.* 2362). In 1434 a Commission was issued to William, bishop of Coventry and Lichfield, and others to take an oath of fealty from a considerable number of persons, among whom figures John Statham (*P.R.* 12 *Hen.* VI). In 1443 William Gourelly receives a grant for life of the castle and lordship of Horston, co. Derby, immediately after the end of the term of twelve years from the death of Richard Hastings, knight, for which John Statham, Esq., and John his son, have the keeping of the same by letters patent dated 4 December, 1439 (18 *Henry* VI). Rendering yearly £11 and 20d. of increment. A note is attached which says: "vacated because surrendered" (*P.R.* 24.10.22 *Hen.* VI). On the same date we find the king granting an exemption for life to the king's servant, John Statham, "from being put on any assizes, juries, recognisances, attainments and inquisitions, and from being made mayor, bailiff, sheriff, escheator, coroner, constable, reeves' collector or assessor of taxes, or controller of tenths or fifteenths, taxes, tallages, quotas or other subsidies, trier, arrayer of juries, or any officer, commissioner, or minister of the king." The production of "these presents" being sufficient warrant for his exemption (*ib.* 22 *Hen.* VI). He appears to have settled in Lime, near Morley, living in the Hall there. He is referred to in his brother Sir Thomas'

will as well as in his brother Nicholas'. Fuller, in the "Worthies of England" has confused him with his brother Nicholas. Elizabeth, his wife, was a daughter of Thomas Milner of Horsley, and brought as her dowry lands in Burnaston and Bearwardcote. These lands would appear to have come down almost from Domesday as dower. They were certainly granted by Celestra, widow of Walter de Ribef, as dower to her daughter Isabel on her marriage with Nicholas the son of Henry de Burnaston in 1280. Their daughter appears to have received the same dowry on her marriage with Roger de Chambreis. It seems to have passed in the same way through the Trusleys, Trutstocks and Brailsfords to the Milners and thence to the Stathams (*J.* 517-525, 2599).

2. Roger, probably his son, married Gertrude, daughter of John Ansty of Stokequye, co. Camb. (*S. Stockton* 21, *Lichfield*, 2). He appears in the Court Roll of Ashford, co. Derby, in 1486-7 (*F.H.D.* iv. 279).

3. William, the third son, was a citizen and mercer of Honey Lane, Allhallows, London. He married Catherine . . . and had issue (1) Thomas, (2) Nicholas, (3) William, (4) Cecily, (5) Elizabeth, (6) Henry.

In May, 1480, a general pardon was issued to him for all offences committed and for all debts due to the king before January 24, 1480, offences concerning the merchandise of wool being excepted. A long list of similar pardons is also given (*P.R.* 20 *Ed.* IV).

His will made on March 7, 1501, and proved on April 8, 1502, can be found in the Commissary Court of London (255). Beyond mentioning his brother Henry no reference is made to other relatives. His wife, Catherine, survived him 19 years. Her will, dated 16.12.1520 and proved 29.1.1521, directs that she should be buried in the Church of S. Thomas of Acres in London "as near the grave of William Statham my husband as possible." She leaves bequests to her son Thomas; to Nicholas her son and his wife; to William, M.A. of Oxford, her son; to Elizabeth Charteris her daughter and her son Thomas, "my gotson"; to John Hasyflote, citizen and haberdasher, "for kindness shown" £20; to her cousin Johanna 20 sh.; also bequests to Richard Gerveis; Kateryn Howe, her servant; and to certain poor maidens. The residue of her estate was ordered to be expended for her "soul's health." The executors were her son Nicholas, Richard Gerveis and John Hasyflote. As her daughter Cecily is not mentioned we may presume she predeceased her mother (*C.C.L. Bennett, clxxiii*).

(1) Thomas, the eldest son, may have been the Thomas Statham who married Agnes, daughter and co-heiress of Thomas Sharpe of Ashford, co. Derby, yeoman. This Thomas was living

in 1558 and is described as a yeoman, of Southwark, in the Chancery Proceedings (*Ser.* 2, *Bundle* 175, No. 26). His wife, Agnes, was one of the heirs of "Thomas Sharpe, late of Ashforde, co. Derby, gent., disceased," and Christopher Alsop of Derby and Margaret his wife one of the other daughters and heirs of Thomas Sharpe, cousin of the said John Sharpe. In the Reliquary (*iii.* 94) it is stated that "the site of the Priory of Derby was in 1543 granted to John Hynde and passed thence to the Sharpes, thence to the Stathams and thence to the Bainbriggess." The date of transfer to the Stathams was after 1557. As this property passed from the hands of the Stathams it may be concluded that it went as dowry with a daughter. Later on there was a connection between the two families; but it has not been found possible to trace the sons, if any, of this Thomas Statham. There is a will of John Statham of Waddesdon, co. Bucks. (*S. H. Bucke*, 4), proved on February 6, 1550, who may have been his son. This will names two sons, Nicholas and Gilbert and four daughters, Johanna, married to John Bull; Katherine; Isabel and Elizabeth. There is a probability that this John Statham was the ancestor of the small Bucks branch of the family known to have been existing there in the middle of the seventeenth century; but no proof of this has been discovered. Another suggestion for the origin of the Bucks family is made in Section VI; but nothing authoritative can be stated concerning it.

(2) Nicholas, his second son, was a citizen and mercer of London and a man of considerable means. He lived originally at his place of business in Milk Street and eventually at Sutton at Hone, co. Kent. The earliest notice of him is in an Inquisition P.M. (26.3.2 *Hen.* VII) held in 1485. Therein is recorded a fine levied in the Hilary Term (20 *Ed.* IV. 1480-1) between "John Bothe, bishop of Exeter; Nicholas Statham; John, earl of Wiltshire and eight others and Walter Blount, knight, and others for the manor of Sutton at Hone." In 1485 he is mentioned as a feoffee (*P.R.* 24.3.2 *Ric.* III). In 1488 (1 *P.M.* 418) he appears as a trustee. In 1498 he and others are seised of the manors of Stanbrygge and Tykesworth and enfeoffed Richard Chambers and Sybil his wife (1 *P.M.* 1237, 12 *Hen.* VII). The following extracts (*S.P. Hen.* VIII) give some idea of the largeness of his business transactions. 1524, "paid to Nicholas Statham for gunpowder bought in Flanders £1000." 1526, Nicholas Statham with 8 others accused of stealing £4,000 of goods from Ap Howell. In 1527 he writes to Cromwell saying, ". . . will go abroad, for Bottry and Statham have got a writ against him, and Clay a privy seal also." In 1532 he is bound to Cromwell for £100 and has an indenture with him for Sutton at Hone. In 1535 he is assessed for the subsidy at £2,000. In

the De Banco A. Roll (*Mich. 21 Hen. VIII*) we find that he and John Avery obtain the right of presentation to the Church of Thoresby, co. Lincs. The manor of Dartford with Sutton at Hone was rented by him from the Knights of Malta. He paid a rental of £55 a year, at least his widow paid that sum in 1541-3 (*E.M.A. 136 m. 35 a. 33-34 Hen. VIII*). The Order was suppressed in England in 1540, partially restored in 1557 and totally suppressed in 1559. This explains the grant of the manor of Sutton at Hone, originally given by Robert de Basyng in the reign of John to the Knights Hospitallers, to Sir Maurice Denys in 1543 (*P.R. 35 Hen. VIII*). Elizabeth the widow of Nicholas, married Sir Maurice Denys in February, 1544-5 (*H. xxiv. 4*) and he obtained a licence from the king in that year to alienate the manor of Sutton to her, presumably as a wedding gift (*P.R. 36 Hen. VIII*). Hasted in his History of Kent (*ii. 346*) states that "Sir Maurice Dennys, of a good Gloucestershire family, changed his name later to St. John. In 1561-2 he levied a fine of this manor and died in 1564 leaving it to his wife Dame Elizabeth. She died in 1577, leaving the estate to her daughter, widow of Vincent Randall and her two daughters, Catherine and Martha." Catherine married Robert West of Gunton, co. Suff. Martha married Thomas Cranfield, of London, and had by him Randall Cranfield, kt. (*Arch. Cantiana, xxii. 259*). Nicholas Statham's will, made 2.10.1538 and proved 23.10 the same year (*S. H. Dungeley, 22*), mentions his "sister Elizabeth Hargest," to whom he leaves £10.

(3) William, the third son, was M.A. Oxon, and vicar of Bromsgrove. His will, made on 8.3.1535, was proved 30.4.1537 (*S. H. Dungeley, 5*).

(4) His daughter Cecily, I believe, married Thomas Staunton, whose daughter-in-law, Katherine Repington, was married, *en secondes nocces*, to Thomas Statham, second son of John Statham of Bleasby (*sec vi*).

(5) His second daughter, Elizabeth, was twice married: 1 to . . . Charteris and 2 to . . . Hargest.

(6) Of his son Henry nothing is known.

4. Joan, the daughter of John of Horsley, married Robert Gilbert of Youlgreave and was buried in the church there, dying on December 2, 1492. Her husband died in the same year. On his tomb are three shields containing (1) the arms of Statham with a label for the second son. (2) Statham impaling Rossington. (3) Rossington. We may therefore conclude that John Statham was the second surviving son of his father. Joan was the mother of 17 children (*C. in loco*).

John Statham, of Bleasby and Gourton, co. Notts., and Morley, co. Derby. *ob. p. 1502.*
=Johanna, f. William Hastings,
kt. v. 1525.

Issue.

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|-------------|---------------|
| 1. Henry. | 5. Margaret. |
| 2. Thomas. | 6. Lucy. |
| 3. William. | 7. Elizabeth. |
| 4. Robert. | |

He resided chiefly at Bleasby Hall, where he possessed land in the right of his wife. He retained, however, his patrimonial tenements in Horsley, Morley, and other parts of Derbyshire. In 1476 we find the following demise: "I, John Statham of Morley, son and heir of John Statham, late of Horsley, and Elizabeth his wife, give to Robert Leek and William Sherp all my lands and tenements, etc., in Berwerdcote and Byrnaston, co. Derby. Witnesses, John Bothe, Esq.; John Fynderne, Esq.; John Donyngton, Esq.; dated at Byrnaston, 13.7.1474" (*W.C. ix. 42*). It is evident that he had settled in Bleasby as early as 1446, for in that year a pardon was granted to John Sheppard, late of Burton-in-the-Clay, co. Notts. and "to answer to John Statham touching a debt of 40 sh. due to him and Agnes and John Blackburn" (*P.R. 25 Hen. VI*). In a short account of the Parish of Bleasby by the Rev. H. L. Williams, published in 1897, we find the following: "the next vicar, Ralf Long, was unfortunately of a turbulent and quarrelsome disposition. He took offence at the squire, Mr. John Statham, and resented his claim to a 'pue' in the chancel of the Church. On Ascension Day, in the year 1502, he resisted the entrance of Mr. John Statham and his wife to their accustomed seat in the chancel, and, rather than create a disturbance in the House of God, the squire retired and attended service at a neighbouring church. On the Whit-Monday following, the parishioners, who, according to custom, attended at S. Mary's, Southwell (the mother church of the county), to present their offerings from the daughter church, taking side with the squire, refused to present their alms to their vicar to be offered by him at the High Altar, but advanced themselves and laid their offerings on the altar. The vicar stepped forward to intercept them, and an unseemly riot ensued. The matter was ultimately brought before the Southwell Chapter, and Master William Fitz-herbert, canon in residence, gave judgment that Ralf Long was no longer fit to retain the chaplaincy of Bleasby, and he was forthwith deprived of the same, with the emoluments thereto attached." With reference to the Hall, Mr.

Williams writes: "Bleasby Hall was always a residence of some importance. After the Stathams, who were living there in 1502, the family of Grundy came about 1600." John Statham died some time after 1502 and was buried in Thurgarton Abbey, co. Notts.

His wife Johanna, who was living in 1525, was a daughter of Sir William Hastings and brought Bleasby to her husband. In an *I.P.M.* (1 Ric. III, 415, no. 32) it is stated that Bleasby manor, with its messuages and lands in Bleasby, Gourton and Gippesmere were part of his estate. Edward Hastings, his son, is mentioned as his heir. Sir William was closely connected with Derbyshire, and there was much intercourse between the families, dating from the time of Sir Thomas Statham, if not before. In App. V. a pedigree is given which explains the connection of the Stathams with the Huntingdons and their employment by them in fiduciary positions.

2. Thomas, his second son, the ancestor of the Leicestershire branch, is dealt with in Section VI.

3. William, his third son, was a citizen and mercer of London, dwelling in Ironmonger Lane. He married Winifred, daughter of John Barnard. He died in the spring of 1525, leaving two children, Katherine and Alice, and a "childe that my wife goith with." In his will (*S. H. Bodfelde*, 32), dated 21.8.1524, and proved 31.3.1525, he states that he was born in Bleasby, and leaves a sum of money to set up in the church there a glass window. He leaves, contingently, to his brother Henry 100 marcs; to his sister Margaret £100. There is also a direct bequest to his sister Margaret Statham, "nowe dwelling with my moder," of £13 6s. 8d. To his brother Robert's daughters, Elizabeth and Bridget, he leaves 100 marcs, and between his other five children he leaves £100. To the children of his sister Elizabeth, by her first husband, William Johnson of Horsley, he bequeaths £100. To Nicholas Statham, mercer (his cousin), he gives £10. He directs that a Requiem Mass be said for him in Thurgarton Abbey, where his father lies buried. His wife, who survived him, married in 1535 Richard Jervys, mercer of London.

4. Robert, the fourth son, was a citizen and mercer of London. He married Anne, daughter of . . . Joyner, and died about May, 1522, leaving seven daughters. His will (*S.H. Maynewaryng* 26) dated 29.6.1517, and proved 17.7.1522, contains a reference to Bleasby church and Thurgarton Abbey. Mention is made of his brothers Henry and William and of his cousins Nicholas and William. He bequeaths to his "coosyn the wyfe of Thomas Staunton" 20 sh. This cousin was Cecily, daughter of William, citizen and mercer of London, who died in 1502 (*vid. supra*). Only the names of four of his daughters are known, Elizabeth, Bridget, Mary and Winifred. Of these Winifred

married William, second son of William Andrew of Ryburgh, co. Norfolk (*vid. H. xxxii. 5*).

5. Margaret appears to have remained unmarried. She is mentioned in her great-uncle's will, Sir Thomas of Morley. He leaves her ten marcs.

6. Lucy was married before 1469, as appears from the above will. Sir Thomas leaves her £10, less "certain costs that I have done upon her of arrayment and boarding of her and her husband out of my house." The name of her husband is unknown.

7. Elizabeth married 1 William Johnson of Horsley, and 2, James Harstaff. By her first husband she had three sons William, Thomas and Nicholas.

Henry Statham, of Bleasby and Horsley. *ob.* 25.1.1535.

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Issue.

1. Henry.

2. Thomas.

3. Isabel.

4. A daughter.

He succeeded his father at Bleasby and occupied a position of some importance in Nottingham. He sat as member for that city in the parliament elected in 1529 until his death in 1535. In 1530 there is a grant from Henry Statham of Nottingham, son and heir of John Statham, late of Gourton, co. Notts, deceased, to Thomas Mellours, mayor of Nottingham, and others, of all his lands in Burnaston and Berwardcote. It is dated 10.7.12 Hen. VIII (*J. 525*). That he held property in Horsley is proved by an entry in the L.S.R. (91/109, *Morleston and Lytchurch*, 16 Hen. VIII) for 1525 of "Henry Statham the elder in goods 40s., 12d. and Henry Statham the younger, 4 marcs, 16d." The following extract from the Act Book (*L.P.R.* 6.4.1535) is the only reference to his will that has been discovered. "Henry Statham, senior, of Horsley, co. Derby. Executors Thomas Statham and Edward Tofte, sons of the deceased. At Chesterfield."

2. Thomas. Nothing is known of him beyond the reference given above from the Act Book.

3. Isabel, his daughter, married 1, Thomas Sacheverell of Kirkby, co. Notts., and 2, Thomas Woodward of Horsley, yeoman. There exists a covenant between Thomas Woodward of Horsley, co. Derby, yeoman, and Isabel, his wife, and Thomas Sawcheverell, son of the said Isabel, and brother and heir of the late Henry Sawcheverell, by the mediation of Henry Statham [her father], William Johnson, George Heythcote, Rauff

Sawcheverell and William Bulker, concerning the inheritance of the said Thomas as to the jointure and dower of his said mother, Isabel, widow of the late Thomas Saucheverell, sen., whereby it is agreed that the said Thomas Sacheverell, jun., shall execute a deed settling on his mother and her now husband the land called "Brokehyll" (now held on lease from Rauf Langeforde, kt.), with all his lands lying in Penkestonfield [Pinxton], to the yearly value of 12 sh., and a "litell howse calde Magge Howse," of the yearly value of 2 sh., for her life, subject to the yearly payment of 4 sh. to the said Thomas Saucheverell, etc. Dated 4.10.1537 (*J.* 1886).

4. A daughter. Nothing is known of this daughter, who married Edward Tofte. Toft is a Cheshire name derived from one of the manors granted to the barony of Halton (*D.B.*). It was held in 1307-1326 by Roger Toft, from whom this Edward was probably descended.

Henry Statham, of Bleasby and Horsley. *ob.* May, 1541.
s. at Crich.=Isabella *v.* 1541.

Issue.

1. George.
2. Elizabeth. A minor in 1541.

He presumably inherited the Bleasby property; but it is clear that he was not in such prosperous circumstances as his father. He was certainly occupied in Nottingham at one period of his life, for he was appointed as trustee in the will of John Plowghe, parson of S. Peter's, Nottingham, and is spoken of as Mayor's clerk (*N. Country Wills, ii.* 157). References to him are found in the L.S.R. for Derbyshire from 1525 to 1535. He is assessed at £20 in goods. In a lease, dated 31.10.1539, from John Rossell of Draycott, yeoman, to Thomas Ashton of Horsley, of a piece of herbage and a piece of meadow land in Horsley, the latter is described as abutting on a "broke called Botell broke," near the land of Henry Statham (*J.* 1459). In the Exchequer Q. Roll (*Bundle* 518, *no.* 24) he is described as the fermor of the rectory of Horsley and Denby, the latter being a chapelry of Horsley. His will was proved on 27.7.1541. The executors were Isabella, relict, and George Statham, son of the deceased. Power was reserved for Elizabeth, the daughter, when she came of age (*L.P.R. Act Book*).

2. Elizabeth, his daughter, married Thomas Johnson of Horsley.

George Statham, of Tansley, co. Derby. *v.* 1544.

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Issue.

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| 1. John. | 4. Henry. |
| 2. Rowland. | 5. A daughter. |
| 3. German. | |

His name appears in the L.S.R. (*Wirksworth H.* 91/105 and 91/145) as George Statham of Tansley for £4 2s. and £2 os. 4d. He was buried in the Parish church of Crich.

2. Rowland, his second son, is dealt with in Section IX.
3. German, the founder of the Shottle branch, is dealt with in Section X.
4. Henry was buried in Crich church on 7.7.1608. This is the only reference to him that has been discovered.
5. A daughter, whose name is unknown, was married to Haslam, and had by him a son, Anthony, as we learn from her brother John's will.

John Statham, of Tansley. *ob.* Feb., 1617.
=Dorothy, f. William Johnson of
Horsley. *ob.* c. 1596-7.

Issue.

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| 1. George. | 5. Henry. |
| 2. John. | 6. Dorothy. |
| 3. Edmund. | 7. Joan. |
| 4. Edward. | |

In 1569 William Johnson of Tansley sold to John Statham, gentleman, a tenement called "le gowldc hyll," lately in occupation of Christopher Bloumer, alias Shentall, and a plot of ground called "le lyttell Fylde," both in Tansley (*W.C. xi.* 97). In 1573 Henry Hopkinson, of Bonsall, grants to John Statham all his "messuages, cottages, lands, tenements, rents, reversions, services, and other hereditaments in Tansley, which were lately the hereditaments of William Johnson" (*W.C. xi.* 98). In the A.M. (66, 67, 230) he is spoken of as formerly of London. He was probably an attorney there and returned to Tansley on his father's death. In a view of frank pledge in the manorial court of the eart of Shropshire, held in Tansley in October, 1583, the name of John Statham occurs (*ib.* 6668, 253). His will was proved on 21.2.1616-17 (*L.P.R.*). In it he directs that he is

to be buried in the parish church of Crich "as neare to my father as may bee." He grants all his lands within Tansley and all his houses, cottages, buildings, lands and tenements, etc., in tail male to his second son, John, should his eldest son, George, die without heirs male. Remainder is left to each son in succession, with final remainder to his eldest brother, Rowland, and his heirs male. He wills and desires his well-beloved nephew, Anthony Haslam, "whom I put in trust to keep this my last will intailed" to see it performed, lest "my eldest sonne, George, having learning, should do wrong to the rest of my ffoure sons." His will was proved by John Statham, of Williamthorpe, "*filio naturali*."

Dorothy, his wife, died early in 1597, and George, his eldest son, in 1616. This enables us to date his will as having been made anterior to 1597. Dorothy's death is fixed by the Act Book (*L.P.R.*), for on 9.2.1597 we find an administration of her will granted to Henry Statham, her son.

1. George, the eldest son, died about December, 1616. His will, made 10.1.1607, leaves one third of his property to his wife during her natural life. To his youngest brother, Henry, he bequeathes in tail male his mansion, Gold Hill House, and all his lands, etc. with remainder to his other brothers in succession (*L.P.R.* 16.12.1616). He was buried in Crich Church, near his grandfather. His only son, George, died in infancy. On June 4, 1616, he signed a conveyance to Edward Meller and Adam Woolley, by which he assigns out of brotherly love to his brother Henry Gold Hill in Tansley. His seal bears the Statham arms, a fusilly pale (*A.M.* 6667, 230). In 1602 a verdict was given in his favour in the King's Court at Westminster in a suit against William Davers and Elizabeth, his wife, for the possession of a third part of 2 messuages, 2 gardens, 2 orchards, 40 acres of land, 10 acres of meadow, 20 acres of pasture and 8d. of rent in Tansley (*W.C. xi.* 99).

Jane, his wife, was buried at Crich on 26.4.1621 (*C.R.*).

2. John, his second son, was a yeoman of Williamthorpe. There exists (*W.C. xi.* 101) an indenture, dated 4.9.1619, between this John, Thomas Statham (his nephew) of Derby and Edward Statham of Matlock (his brother) of the one part, and Henry Statham, gentleman, of Tansley (his youngest brother) of the other part. It carries out the bequest of their brother George with reference to Gould Hill House. John's son Robert married Elizabeth Roades on 25.11.1623 (*Chesterfield P. Reg.*). They had (1) George of Tansley, who died without issue and was buried at Crich 10.1.1705, (2) Henry, of Tansley, baker, buried 31.10.1685. He married Anne, who was buried at Crich 10.6.1697, and had issue two sons, Henry and John. (3) John, living in 1677, (4) a daughter married to Richard Bland, by whom she had four children. The will of Robert

was proved on 16.5.1677 (*L.P.R.*). The inventory of the goods of Henry, of Tansley, 25.11.1685, and of his wife, 6.19.1697, are to be found in the *L.P.R.*

3. Edmund, the third son, was an ironmonger in Derby and married Ellen (?) Shawe. His will, dated 13.7.1610, was proved on 23.7.1610 (*L.P.R.*). He had (1) a son Thomas, and (2), a daughter Dorothy. (1) Thomas married Anne Theakstone, she dying in 1660 (*L.P.R.* 27.10.1660), her husband being then dead. He was also an ironmonger in Derby. They left two sons (A) Edward, an ironmonger of Derby, (B) Abraham, of Litton, Tideswell, who was buried there on 14.1.1708, leaving Anne, b. 25.2.1682; Sarah, b. 21.6.1685; Hannah, b. 19.2.1686; and Samuel, b. 12.6.1691 (*Tideswell P. Reg.*), (C) Anne, who married Charles, the seventh son of Edward Lowe of Alderwasley, by whom she had two sons, Edward and John.

4. Edward, the fourth son, was a yeoman in Tansley and was married to Grace, a daughter of Thomas Columbello. She was buried at Crich on 22.9.1638 (*C.R.*). They had no sons, but three daughters. Elizabeth married Richard Haywood, and had issue Thomas and Mary. Clemente married William Ludlam, and had two children. Joane died unmarried. Edward's will was proved 19.2.1630 (*L.P.R.*) and see *L.S.R.* (91/109, 16 *Hen. VIII*).

6. Dorothy was married on 19.11.1627 to Henry Woolley (*C.R.*).

7. Joan, baptized 14.9.1607 (*C.R.*), was married to Thomas Columbello.

Henry Statham, of Tansley, Attorney at Law. *ob.* 17.5.1638.
=Martha

Issue.

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| 1. John. | 5. Dorothy. |
| 2. Edward. | 6. Jane. |
| 3. Anne. o.s.p. | Bap. 7.10.1616. s. 6.1.1638 (<i>C.R.</i>). |
| 4. George. | |

He practised as an attorney; but in the "Inventory of the Goods of Henry Statham of Tansley (*L.P.R.* 11.6.1638) he is described as "yoman." Administration was granted to his widow, Martha Statham, and Ralph Reade, rector of Pinxton. In a manuscript (*A.M.* 6667, 230), written by his descendant, Sir John Statham, it is stated that "the remnant of the estate which descended to my great-grandfather (Henry) was only £60 per annum, which was kept till the rebellion in King Charles' time,

and then my grandfather raised a troop of horse. He had a brother, his cornet, killed."

2. Edward, his son, remains totally unmentioned in any record of the time.
3. Anne, made a will which was proved on June 11, 1638, from which it is clear that, although a spinster, she had a separate estate (*L.P.R.*).
4. George, who was baptized in Crich on 4.8.1622 (*C.R.*), was perchance the cornet referred to above.
5. 6. Dorothy and Jane. Nothing is known of these daughters.

John Statham, of Edenstall and Tansley. *ob.* c. October 11, 1679. =Anne, f. Thomas Buxton, of Corsington and Tideswell.

Issue.

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| 1. John. | 5. Truth. |
| 2. Thomas. | 6. Dorothy. |
| 3. Jane. | 7. Margaret. |
| 4. Sarah. | |

In 1649 John received from Edward Hemstock the possession of certain lands in Matlock and Tansley, "late jointure to Jane Statham (*wife of George, vid. supra*) and leased by George and Jane Statham to Hemstock" (*A.M.* 6668, 255). Included in this property was Matlock Mill, which John sold to Mr. Hodgkinson for £860 (*ib.*). There are also several documents connected with the recovery of lands and exchange of lands in the same collection. There is also an exemplification of a Recovery in the Common Pleas by George Hopkinson, gent., from John Statham, gent., of lands in Tansley, dated 1649 (*W.C.* xi. 102). John Statham was an active loyalist during the great rebellion and raised, at his own expense, a troop of horse for service against the Parliamentarians. "In 1655 there was an ordinance of Parliament for the decimation of the cavaliers, whereby all that had borne arms for Charles I, or declared themselves in his interest, were to pay the tenth part of their estates that were left to support the charge of the Commonwealth." Amongst the list of those so decimated appears the name of John Statham of Tansley, gent., for £29 10s. (*G.*).

His will, dated 10.10.1679, and proved 24.4.1680, is in the *L.P.R.* It was made on his deathbed, for he was buried in Crich Church in the family vault on Oct. 14, 1679. His wife survived him; but the date of her death is not known.

1. John, the eldest son, died probably unmarried during his father's lifetime in 1646.
3. Jane, his eldest daughter, appears to have died unmarried.
4. Sarah married some one of the name of Burgess and was living in 1701. Her husband appears to have been an undesirable. She had a daughter named Elizabeth.
5. Truth was married to Thomas Stone of Snitterton. "She was a remarkably strong woman. It is said she would have taken up a pig of lead, which was 24 stone in those days, with greater ease than most men" (*A.M.* 6668, 534).
6. Dorothy was married to Thomas Alleyne of Tideswell and had by him a son John, who, in his will, dated 1724 (*L.P.R.*), refers to Thomas, her nephew, as his cousin. Her husband was the eldest son of Edward Alleyne of Tideswell (*Will* 20.2.1655, *L.P.R.*). In addition to John they had another son, Edward, and three daughters, Mary, Ann and Sarah, whose husband's name was Robins.
7. Margaret died unmarried and was buried at Crich in November, 1679 (*C.R.*).

Thomas Statham, of Whitstone, Tideswell, Attorney at Law.
n. 1649. *ob.* 1702.

=I. Barbara, f. h. Cromwell
Meverell of Tideswell. *ob.*
1684.

=II. Mary, f. coh. John Ibbotson, of Bradfield, vid. Nicholas Shirtcliffe, of Whitley Hall, co. York. m. 9.10. 1686.

=III. Mary . . . s. 12.2. 1724.

Issue by I.

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| 1. Anne. | 4. Charles. |
| 2. John | 5. Barbara. |
| 3. Thomas. | |

Issue by II.

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| 6. Henry. | 9. William. |
| 7. Elizabeth. | 10. Frances. |
| 8. Mary. | |

Issue by III.

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| 11. George. | 13. Anna. |
| 12. Jane. | |

Thomas was an attorney, and by his business capacity, and also by his two earlier marriages, somewhat revived the failing fortunes of his family. He married three wives and was only 53 when he died. In his will (*A.M.* 6667, 225) he bequeathed all his law books to his eldest son, John, making him, however, pay £50 for them to his executor. This is on a par with his humour in being buried in "a tinned coffin, the which he had by him for many years. It had 36 locks upon it, all locking with one key, which according to his request, was cast away after his interment" (*C. ii.* 306). He was buried in Tideswell in the family vault in the chapel in the south transept. Against the south wall is a monument to his memory with the following inscription:

"Thomas Statham, son and heir of the loyal gentleman John Statham of Edenstall and Tansley, Captain of a troop of horse, which he raised at his own charges for the royal King Charles I, and was afterwards a patient sufferer of the tyrannies and sequestrations of those impious regicides; lineally descended from the ancient and loyal family of Statham, lords of Morley in this county, and of Statham and Barton in Cheshire. Three of his ancestors, Sir John, Sir Nicholas and Sir Robert, were judges. He married three wives: 1 Barbara, daughter and heir of Cromwell Meverell, of Tideswell, near kinsman of Thomas Cromwell, earl of Ardglass, lineally descended from Francis Meverell of Throwley, by Anne, daughter and co-heir of Sir John Durham, who had by the said Barbara three sons: Sir John Statham, his heir; Thomas, a captain, and Charles a merchant; and one daughter, Barbara. His second wife was Mary, relict of Nicholas Shirtcliffe, M.D., by whom he had one son, William, and three daughters: Mary, Elizabeth and Frances."

This monument must have been erected after 1710, the year in which John, his heir, was knighted. Its bombastic tone is typical of Sir John and is, moreover, not strictly accurate. No mention is made of the third wife's issue, and we may assume that she was a "nobody" in her stepson's opinion.

His first wife, Barbara Meverell, was the heiress of an ancient family. Her pedigree may be found in *A.M.* 5524, 144; 6675, 364; but it is not altogether accurate (*cf. F.H.D. ix.* 158 and *J. and Cox ii.*).

1. Anne, the eldest child, died as an infant and was buried at Tideswell on 26.4.1676 (*Tideswell P. Reg.*).
3. Thomas, the second son, was a captain in Lord Lucas' Regiment of foot, and died at Sheerness in 1704, without issue, aged 26. This regiment, now the Border Regiment, formerly the 84th Foot, was only raised in 1702 by Lord Lucas, then Lieutenant of the Tower of London. The officers' commissions bore date 12.2.1702. It proceeded to Spain almost

at once, and Thomas Statham was probably at home, invalided, at the time of his death. He was baptized on 18.5.1676 (*ib.*).

4. Charles, was a merchant in London and died without issue in 1709. He was baptized on 21.6.1679 (*ib.*).

5. Barbara, baptized on January 5, 1682, died unmarried.

Mary, the second wife, whose maiden name was Ibbotson, was the widow of Nicholas Shirtcliffe, M.D., of Whiteley Hall, Ecclesfield, who died at Sheffield in August, 1682 (*H. xxxvii.* 655). She must have died about 1697, probably at the birth of her daughter Frances. An entry occurs in the Tideswell registers noting the burial of "Mary, widow of Thomas Statham, on Feb. 12, 1724. This must refer to the third wife and not to the second, as has usually been supposed.

6. Henry, the eldest son by the second marriage, baptized on 12.9.1689 (*T.P.R.*), died as a minor. In an agreement dated 6.4.1720, between Thomas Statham, "now deceased," and Mary, his wife, and John Statham, son and heir of Thomas, and now Sir John, and Dame Bridget, his wife, of the one part, and John Spateman of Rondnook, deceased, and Henry Balguy of Derwent Hall, Derby, deceased, and Michael Burton of Holmfild, also deceased, of the second part, and Mary Wigley, of Wigwell, deceased, of the third part, it is stated that the said Thomas Statham and his son John did settle and convey all Thomas' estate at Tideswell to several uses and charged it with £400 for his son Henry, when he should come to 21, and, if he died before, the £400 should go to his son William at 21. As Henry died an infant, William now gives his receipt for that sum.

7. Elizabeth married Samuel Eccles of Tideswell, attorney, and had by him nine children, one of whom, Anne, married John Maunder of Bakewell; another, Frances, married Francis Cripps, and a third, Catherine, married Richard Barker, surgeon, of Bakewell. Frances Cripps and Catherine Barker were the co-heiresses of their cousin John, son of Sir John Statham (*H. xxxvii.* 655).

8. Mary died on the day of her birth and was buried on 24.5.1693 (*T.P.R.*).

9. William resided at Sheffield Park and was a man of some substance. He married his cousin Frances, daughter of Nicholas Shirtcliffe, and had a daughter who married John Smitler of Richmond. He died in 1777, and she in 1791 (*Derby Ar. Soc. Journal IV.* 37).

10. Frances married, in 1719, Jonathan Hurt, mercer, of Sheffield. Of the third wife we know nothing but that she died in 1724, and that she was party to the agreement quoted above, 11.12.13. Nothing whatever has been discovered concerning her children.

John Statham, kt., of Wigwell, co. Derby, M.P. n. May, 1676.
 ob. 1759. =Bridget, f.h. John Wigley of
 Wigwell, co. Derby. s. 1737.

Issue.

1. Wigley.
2. John.
3. Maria.

4. Bridget.
5. Katherine.

There is a considerable amount of information concerning him in the *A.M.* (6667, etc.). He matriculated at Magdalen Hall, Oxon., took his B.A. in 1693. He was entered at Gray's Inn and was duly called to the Bar. He was elected M.P. for S. Michael's, Cornwall (*Hist. MSS. Com. iii.* 462), and continuously interested himself in politics. He was knighted at Kensington on June 19, 1710, by Queen Anne, the last knight of her creation. He was a J.P. and D.L. for Derbyshire and served as churchwarden at Tideswell in 1705. His father served the same office in 1686 (*T.P.R.*). He died in 1759, at the age of 83, and was buried in the family vault in Tideswell Church. Among his papers (*A.M.* 6667) may be found his epitaph in his own handwriting.

"Under this stone there lies a knight,
 With cares and sorrows killed outright.
 His thread of life was not quite run,
 He died by a graceless son.
 Parents beware! and take his word,
 That grief can kill without a sword."

His wife pre-deceased him and was buried at Tideswell in 1737 (*T.P.R.*).

1. Wigley, his eldest son, served as Sheriff for Derby in 1731 (*Cal. Treas. Papers ii.* 160). He died without issue in 1736.

2. John also died without offspring on Feb. 20, 1785. He sold the estate of Wigwell Grange to the trustees of Mr. John Maunder of Bakewell, who was his cousin.

3. Maria is supposed to have married Richard Hobson of Kirbymoorside; but she has been confused, I think, with Mary, daughter of Samuel Statham of Leicester (*q.v.*).

4. Bridget was buried in Tideswell in 1726, and was not married (*T.P.R.*).

5. Katherine married twice. 1. Benjamin Bagshawe of the Ridge, co. Derby. 2. Lieut.-Gen. Richard Philips, younger son of Richard Philips of Martletavy and Sandyhaven, co. Pembroke (*H. x.* 378).

CHART VI—LEICESTERSHIRE

Arms of Freeman.—Azure, 3 lozenges argent.

Arms of Sherard.—Argent a chevron between 3 bezants, gules.

Arms of Briggs.—Argent, a fess between 3 martlets, sable.

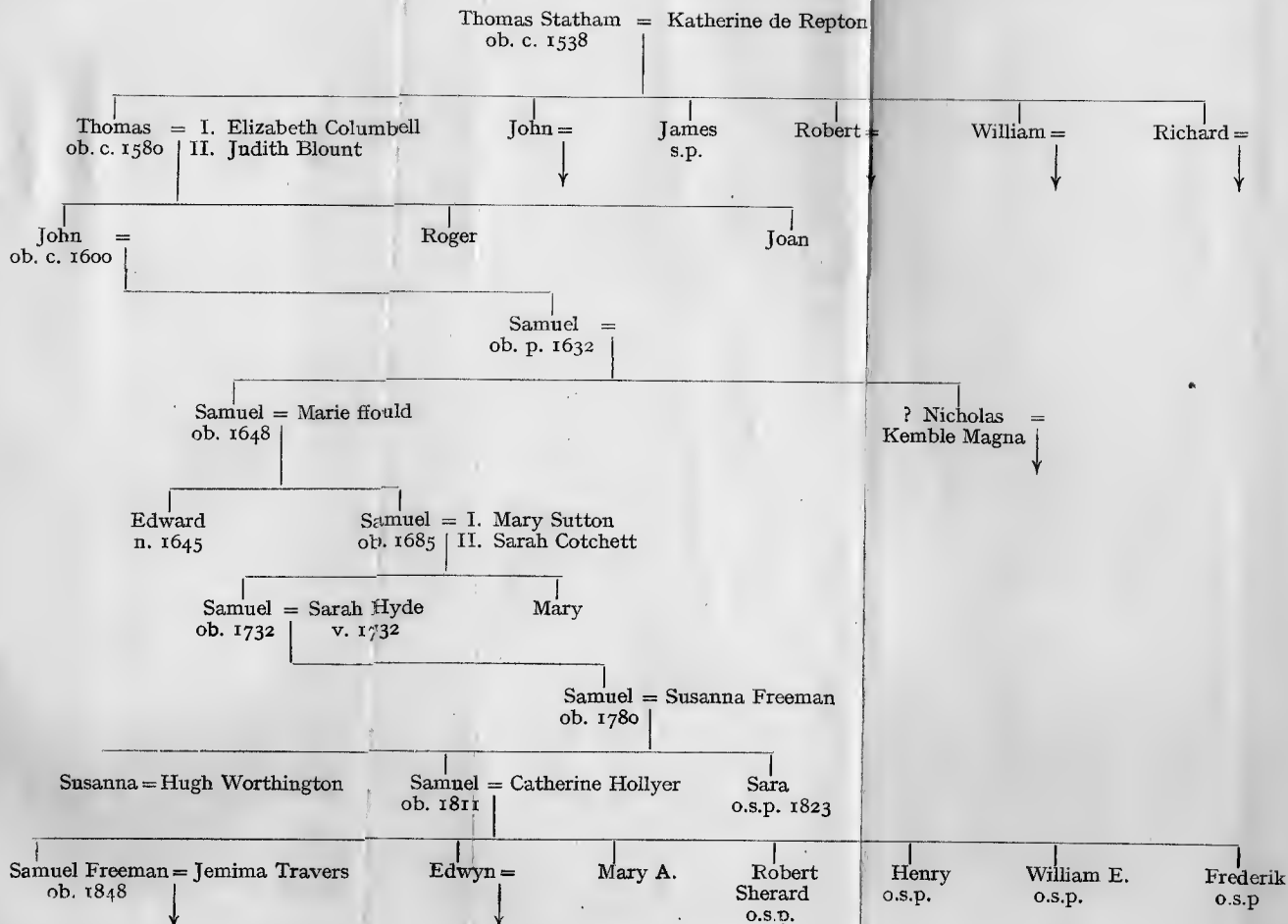


CHART VII

VI

STATHAMS OF LEICESTERSHIRE, ETC.

Thomas Statham, of Staveley. n.c. 1467. ob. c. 1538.
 =Katherine, f. Anthony de
 Repingdon, co. Linc., and
 vid. Hugh Staunton, co.
 Northants.

Issue.

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| 1. Thomas. | 4. Robert. |
| 2. John. | 5. William. |
| 3. James. | 6. Richard. |

He is referred to in his great-uncle's will (*q.v.*) as "Little Thomas," to whom he bequeathes 5 marcs. He married Katherine, the widow of Hugh Staunton. She was the niece of William de Worsley, of Bothes in Worsley, co. Lancs., and the great-niece of Margaret de Worsley, who died c. 1360. This Margaret was married to Robert de Staveley. Katherine seems to have inherited property in Staveley from her great-aunt, and her husband temporarily assumed the name of the place in which they lived. On the death of his wife, Thomas seems to have resumed his proper patronymic. There is a short pedigree given in the Harleian MSS. (*xviii.* 189), which makes it quite clear that at one time Thomas Statham was known as Thomas Staveley. The arms of Thomas are given therein as gules, per pale fusilé argent. The date and place of his death are unknown.

2. John, his son, was living in Killamarsh, near Repton, in 1544, and his name appears in the L.S.R. (91/144, 35 *Hen. VIII*) under Kynnalwershe, Totelay and Douue, for 20 sh. 2d.; and under Repingdon for the same amount (L.S.R. 91/148, 34-35 *Hen. VIII*). He had a son, James, of Doveridge, living in 1544, who married Elizabeth. She died in 1541, and her will exists (L.P.R.). James had one son, Roger, and a daughter, Helen, who was married to John Needham, and had issue Roger and William Needham. Roger Statham lived at Nobell Leigh, co. Staff., and from his will (L.P.R. 1570) we learn that he was twice married. 1. to Jane, who died a. 1568, and 2. to an unknown lady, who died p. 1570. Roger had two sons (1) William, (2) Elias, and two daughters. His will exists (*ib.*

1596). The elder son, William, married Agnes (*ib.* 1596) and had issue John, Cecily, and Francis. Elias (*ib.* 1618) married Helen and had five sons, John, Thomas, William, Elias and Richard, and one daughter, Cecily, who was living in 1623. The will of his eldest son, John (*ib.* 1623), shows that he married Ellen, and died without issue.

3. James was living anterior to his death in Locko, and married a daughter of Richard Byrde. He apparently died a widower and without issue in 1545, for "the administration of the goods of James Statham of Lockey in Spondon, co. Derby" was granted on Sep. 24, 1545, to his brother, Thomas Byrde (*L.P.R. Act Bk.*).

4. Robert settled in Hatton in the parish of Marston. He married Joan Lawforde, daughter of a yeoman of Hatton. They had three sons, John, Richard and William, and two daughters. His will was proved on 2.12.1544 (*L.P.R.*). His name is to be found in the L.S.R. (91/152, 35 *Hen. VIII*). The will of his eldest son, John, who married a daughter of Thomas Astle, is full of interesting references (*L.P.R.* 1586). The residuary legatee is his brother William, to whom he leaves his main property. Thomas Lawforde, his cousin and brother-in-law, is also mentioned. His father-in-law, Thomas Astle, was a yeoman of Hatton. The family had existed there for a very long time (*vid.* L.S.R. and *L.P.R.*). Richard, the second son of Robert, was employed in Government service. At the time of his death "Mr. Secretary Wallis" was his superior. He lived in London; but died at Thorpe, co. Leic. In his will (*S.H. Leicester* 74), he leaves the whole of his estate in equal shares to his brother William, to Thomas Lawforde's children, and to his friend Walter Agarde. William, Robert's third son, married Alice Partridge of Sandiacre in 1585. The elder daughter of Robert married a Huyt and the younger, Thomas Lawforde of Hatton, a cousin.

5. William, the fifth son, appears to have settled in Melbourn, co. Derby. His sons at least were living in that district early in the XVIIth century. He died c. 1570, leaving three sons, Robert, Edward, and John. Robert married Margaret Tagge, and their wills were proved in 1605 and 1610 (*L.P.R.*). Edward married Joan Johnson, and his will was proved in 1592 (*ib.*).

6. Richard, the sixth son, was living at Hatton in 1544 (*L.S.R.* 91/152). He married Emma, and by her left three sons, Robert, Roger and John, and three daughters. His descendants can be traced to the XIXth century (*L.P.R. Wills of Robert of Hatton*, 1591; *Emma, his wife*, 1608; *Roger*, 1618; *John*, 1588; *Robert*, 1638; *Roger*, 1682; *Robert*, 1676; *Thomas*, 1697; *William*, 1703; *Robert*, 1740; *Ann*, 1707; *William*, 1751; *Thomas*, 1784).

Thomas Statham, of Ashby and Dishley, co. Leic. *ob.* c. 1580.
=I. Elizabeth, f. George Columbell, of Derby.
=II. Judith, f. Robert Blount.

Issue.

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| 1. John. | 2. Roger. | 3. Joan. |
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Beyond the facts of his marriage, very little has been discovered about him. His children are mentioned in their cousin John Statham's will in 1586. From that will we also learn that John, Thomas' elder son, was living in Ashby (de la Zouche), that Roger, his brother, was indebted to the testator for £5, and that Joan was married to . . . Blakeley and had three children, John, Richard, and Ellen. It is highly probable that he, like his son and grandson, was employed as a retainer in the Huntingdon family, Francis, the second earl, being a cousin (*App. V*). As his descendants were in possession of the tenements in Leicestershire (in Dishley, Loughborough and Leicester), held by Richard fitz Nigel in 1135, he must also have held them.

John Statham, of Dishley. *ob.* c. 1600.

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Issue.

Samuel.

Beyond the fact that he is mentioned in the will of his cousin John, who died in 1586, nothing very definite has been discovered concerning him. He was a landowner in Leicestershire, succeeding to his father's holdings.

Samuel Statham, of Dishley, etc. *ob.* p. 1632.

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Issue.

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| 1. Samuel. | 2. ? Nicholas. |
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He was in the service of the earl of Huntingdon, and the following is a copy of his general discharge on leaving that service in 1632. "A general discharge from Henry, earl of Huntingdon, etc., to Samuel Statham, yeoman and servant, 13 February, 1632.

Be it known unto all men by these presents that we Henry, earl of Huntingdon, Lord Hastings, etc., and Elizabeth, countess of Huntingdon, wife of the said earl release, quit, etc., our servant Samuel Statham of and from all manner of actions, real as well as personal, suits, accounts, reckonings, debts, sum or sums of monies and demands whatsoever for or concerning any sum or sums of money which he hath formerly received for our use or by our appointment of any person or persons for coals, rents, wood, faggots, corn or otherwise from the beginning of the world until the date hereof. Signed Huntingdon and E. Huntingdon. Witness, Thomas Roberts, John Burrows and Edward Carver" (*Family Papers*). The service was clearly that of "agent."

2. Nicholas is presumed to be his son. He lived at Kemble Magna, co. Bucks. He had a son Thomas, who, on leaving Kemble settled at Mount Sorrel, near Loughborough. It is not certain that this is the origin of the Buckingham Stathams; but seems to be the most likely solution of the problem. Nicholas married Anne, second daughter of Anthony Lowe of Alderwasley, and had issue by her, Thomas of Mount Sorrel, who died in 1680, and John of Missington, co. Bucks. Thomas died at Mount Sorrel in 1680 (*Leicester Wills, Rothley Peculiar* 92). He left two daughters, Anne, who married Richard Danter, and Elizabeth, who married Devereux Roe (*Rothley Par. Reg.*). John married Rebecca Nash on 23.9.1666 (*Bucks. Mar.*) and had a son Thomas.

There is an interesting fact in connection with Nicholas which proves the existence of a feeling which accounts for the puritan strain which exhibited itself so strongly in the Leicestershire branch of the family. In the Stowe MSS. (*B.M.*) there is the Return of the assessors and constables of Kemble Magna to the High Sheriff of the county of such persons as refused to pay the ship money. It is headed by the name of John Hampden, Esq., and Nicholas Statham is among the list that follows. The Return is dated 9.1.1636. Nicholas endowed the Chapel of Mount Sorrel with 10 sh. annually for a sermon to be preached there on the Sunday next before 12th Day (*Peck's M.S. quoted in Nichols*).

Samuel Statham, of Loughborough. ob. 8.10.1648.

=Marie, f. . . . ffould. ob. 1691.

Issue.

1. Marie. b. 2.4.1641. s. 13.3.1665.
2. John. b. 28.4.1643. s. 27.3.1672.
3. Edward. b. 1.3.1645.
4. Samuel. b. 18.3.1648. 5. James. s. 8.3.1649.

He, like his father, was in the service of the earl of Huntingdon, and is referred to as "gentleman and servant." He resided in Loughborough, and the dates of the baptism and burial of his children are recorded, as above, in the church registers. He died on 8th September, 1648 (*Family Papers*). His wife survived until 1691. In the L.S.R. for Leicestershire for 1685 there occurs the following entry under the Hearth Tax returns. "Mary Statham, widow 5d."

3. Edward, his elder son, may have died young, for nothing has been found concerning him. On the other hand, he may have married and had a son Samuel who died about 1755. Among the Leicester wills there are letters of administration, dated 22.12.1755, to "Mary Sharp, of Wing, co. Rutland, spinster, and Henry Sharpe, of Freeby, co. Leic., of the goods of Samuel Statham of Loughborough, batchelor." It seems possible that Mary Sharp and Samuel Statham were betrothed. She was the daughter of Richard Sharp, of Wing, who married Christina Freeman, sister of Susanna, the wife of Samuel Statham.

Samuel Statham, Clerk in Holy Orders, of Loughborough and Banbury. ob. 1685.

=I. Sarah, f. Robert Cotchett, of Mickleover, co. Derby.

s. 27.8.1673 (*Lough. P. Reg.*).

=II. Mary, f. . . . Sutton, of Overthorpe, Banbury. m. 1680.

Issue.

Samuel.

He matriculated at Christ Church, Oxford, at a very early age, on 1.4.1656, and took his B.A. on July 11, 1659 (*Alumni Ox. J. Foster*). In 1662 he, whilst acting as Assistant Minister of S. Giles, Cripplegate, London, was ejected for non-conformity under the Act passed that year. In *The Nonconformists Memorial*, "by the Reverend and learned Edmund Calamy, D.D." (*London, W. Harris, 1775, i. 107*), the following account of him is given: "Mr. Samuel Statham, of Christ Church, Oxford. He was assistant to Dr. Annesley, and upon the turn of the times, was offered a good living in the Church, by the Huntingdon family, in which his father had been steward, if he would have conformed; but he preferred suffering and reproach with a good conscience. And he was a considerable sufferer for nonconformity. He was for two years and nine months in the

jail at Leicester, where it pleased God to make him of great use to several, for he preached ordinarily every Lord's-day to the prisoners Mr. Statham, soon after his enlargement, was invited to Banbury, where he for some years preached privately, with great success, and where his name was long revered and loved. His health was much impaired after his imprisonment. Upon a journey towards Loughborough, to see his mother and his son, he took cold, and could get no further than Preston in Northamptonshire, where he was confined to his bed at Mr. Butler's, and died in a few days, 1685."

On his release from prison he seems to have used his mother's house in Loughborough as a centre for his ministerial work. In 1672 he received licence from the government to preach (*S.P. Charles II*).

He appears to have had but one child, Samuel. Of his wives nothing is known beyond the fact that the father of Sarah Cotchett was an officer in Cromwell's army and a landowner in Derbyshire and Staff. His will was proved in 1658, in which he left his daughter Sarah £400. Samuel Statham resided for a considerable time in Courthorpe House, Banbury.

Samuel Statham, of Loughborough and Leicester.

ob. 22.2.1731-2.

=Sarah, f. . . . Hyde, of
Barrow-on-Soar, co. Leicst.
v. 1732.

Issue.

1. Samuel.

2. Mary.

He was apprenticed to Josiah Coleman, apothecary of Leicester, in 1689, and joined him as a partner in 1694, after serving for a time as a Naval Surgeon. There exists a licence to practise medicine and surgery issued to him in 1712 by George Nowell, bishop of Lincoln. The "silver mug" mentioned in his will (*App. VI*) is now in the possession of the author, and his lancet in a case is owned by Dr. Statham of Cheddar.

Of his wife only this is known, that she inherited, in 1704, most of the property of her uncle, John Hide, gent., of Sileby and Leicester (*Family Papers*).

2. Mary, his daughter, was married in 1727 to Richard Hobson, of Kirbymoorside, Yks.

Samuel Statham, of Loughborough. ob. 3.11.1780.

=Susanna, 5th daughter of
Robert Freeman of Burton
Overy, co. Leic. m. 14.7.
1744. ob. 26.3.1755.

Issue.

1. Susanna. b. 2.7.1745. ob. 17.6.1749.
2. Samuel. b. 20.6.1747. ob. infans.
3. Samuel. b. 17.7.1749.
4. Susannah. b. 4.2.1751.
5. Sarah. b. 8.6.1753.

He was a Presbyterian Minister and preached in a chapel rented or built by himself, at Mount Sorrell. Towards the end of his life he retired and settled at Nottingham, where he died on Nov. 3, 1780.

He was married at Martinthorpe, co. Rutland, by the Rev. Thomas Sanderson in 1744. His wife was the youngest daughter of Robert Freeman of Burton Overy and brought to him a considerable fortune. Her father had married Mary, daughter and heiress of George Sherard, of Bushey, co. Leic., and, on the death of William and James Sherard, her brothers, inherited their estates. Considerable difficulty was encountered in dividing Robert Freeman's estate and eventually an Act of Parliament was passed in 1761 to settle all questions in dispute.

4. Susannah, his eldest surviving daughter, married in 1782 Hugh Worthington, pastor of the Presbyterian Church, Salters' Hall, London. He was the son of a Leicester Presbyterian Minister of the same name. He died on 26.7.1813 in the 61st year of his age and was buried in Bunhill Fields. A memoir of him will be found in the *Gentleman's Magazine* (vol. 83, ii. 188). He left no living issue. Susannah died on 26.3.1755 and was buried in Bunhill Fields in the Marston vault.

5. Sarah, died unmarried on 3.1.1823, and was buried in the same vault as her sister.

Samuel Statham, of Arnold Grove, Nottingham. J.P., D.L.

n. 15.7.1749. ob. 27.7.1811.

=Catherine, f. John Hollyer of
Coventry. m. 1782. ob. 1833.

Issue.

1. Samuel Freeman.
2. Edwyn.
3. Mary Ann.
4. Robert Sherard.
5. Henry.
6. William Edward.
7. Frederick John.

He sold his share of the Freeman and Sherard property to George Anthony Keck, of Stoughton Grange, from whom it descended to his nephew, the Hon. Littleton Powys Keck. His inheritance was between twenty and thirty thousand pounds, the greater part of which he lost through his partner's dishonesty. In 1777 he was elected as one of the Sheriffs of Nottingham Corporation, and in 1784 he was noted as one of the prime movers in starting a Sunday School for the children of the poor of the city. In 1798 he actively supported the volunteer movement. Three companies were raised in Nottingham and were commanded respectively by John Sandford Elliott, Lieut.-Col., James Hooley, major, and Samuel Statham, captain. The latter was his son. In 1807 he resigned the office of Senior Councillor (*Nottingham Year Bk.*). In the latter year he left Nottingham for London and resided in Islington, where he died on July 27, 1811, and was buried in the Marston vault in Bunhill Fields. He was a Fellow of the R. Linnean Society and published *Hortus Arnoldiensis*. He was married on June 3, 1782, by Archdeacon Andrew Burnaby, in Greenwich Church, to Catherine, daughter of John Hollyer. John Hollyer's wife was a daughter of the Rev. Thomas Sanderson, a lineal descendant of the famous Bishop of Lincoln.

2. Edwyn, his second son, is dealt with in Section VII.

3. Mary Ann. n. 19.4.1786, died unmarried on 29.7.1852, in the house of her nephew, the Rev. F. F.

Statham, of S. Peter's, Walworth, London.

4. Robert Sherard. n. 20.1.1788, died on 16.12.1794.

5. Henry. n. 3.12.1789, was a lieutenant in the 84th Regiment and was in action with them at Orthez and other battles at the end of the Peninsular War. In 1819 he was detailed to command the escort on the convict ship *Surrey*, which sailed for Botany Bay in that year. The following is an extract from the Common Place Book of Mr. W. L. Edwardson, mate of the *Surrey*: "The following reflections on the death of a friend are here applied to the memory of my much valued and highly respected friend, Lieut. Henry Statham, of H.M. 84th Regiment, whose amiable disposition and virtues had endeared him to all who had the happiness to know him. He departed this life at 10 a.m., February 4, 1819, on board the ship *Surrey*, of London, after a few days illness, which he bore with cheerfulness and resignation. His remains were committed to the deep at 6 p.m. in Lat. 43° 25'—Long. 93° E. with military honours due to his rank, the funeral ceremonies due to a Christian and with that silent sorrow which his virtues wrung from the hearts of all on board. He was a kind master, an indulgent though excellent officer, a sincere friend, an affectionate brother, a dutiful son and a virtuous man." Henry died unmarried.

6. William Edward. n. 7.1.1792, died on 28.10.1793.

7. Frederick John. n. 3.8.1796, died in Jamaica in Nov., 1831, leaving a widow but no children.

Samuel Freeman Statham, Clerk in Holy Orders, B.C.L. Cantab.
n. 18.3.1783. ob. 14.2.1848.

=:Jemima, f.ult. Joseph Travers,
of Highbury, London. n. 1796.
ob. June, 1863.

Issue.

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| 1. Jemina Jane. | 5. John Lee. |
| 2. Henry Joseph. | 6. Janet Wykeham. |
| 3. Elizabeth Catherine. | 7. Georgina Mary. |
| 4. Sherard Freeman. | |

He was at both universities, originally at Trin. Coll., Oxford, he transferred to Sid. Suss. Coll., Cambridge, where he qualified for the degree of B.C.L. He was for a short time vicar of Powerstock, co. Dorset, but for the greater part of his life he had no active occupation. He was buried, with his wife, his son Sherard and his daughters Jemima, and Elizabeth Catherine in a vault at Stone Church, near Aylesbury, where, for a short time, he had been Curate-in-charge. His wife was the daughter of a wealthy London merchant and brought him a dower of about £30,000. She died at Richmond Hill in 1863.

1. Jemima Jane was married to the Rev. Francis Secker Abson Gawthorn, who was descended from Thomas Secker, Abp. of Canterbury in 1758. In App. VII will be found an interesting pedigree showing the connection between this family and those of Secker, Denbeigh, Sanderson and Statham.

2. Henry Joseph, his eldest son, was educated at Harrow and Christ Church, Oxford, but suffered from an incurable complaint. He died unmarried, c. 1914.

3. Elizabeth Catherine, died unmarried.

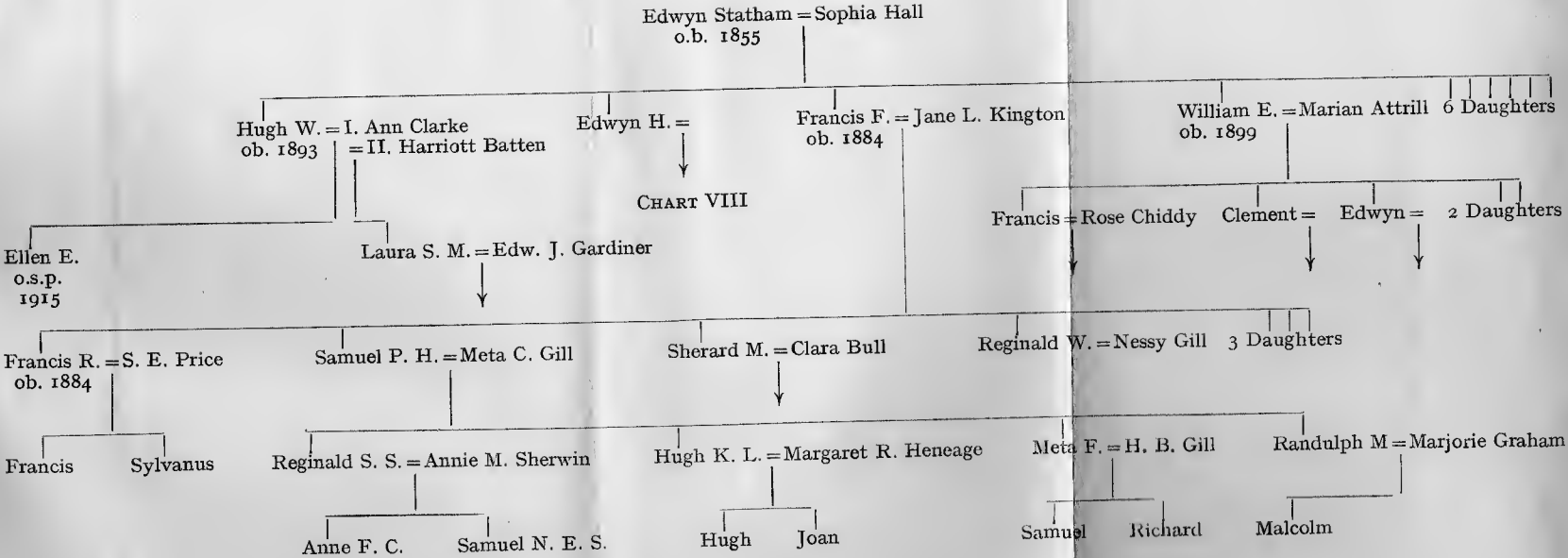
4. Sherard Freeman, was an M.B. of London and F. R. College of Surgeons. He was assistant Surgeon of University College Hospital and the Founder of the Great Northern Hospital. He died unmarried in 1860 aged 33.

5. John Lee, of Wimpole Street, married a Miss Pynsent and was accidentally drowned at Maroochie, Queensland, on August 15, 1883, in the fifty-fourth year of his age. He left no issue.

6. Janet Wykeham, died unmarried.

7. Georgina Mary, married the Rev. Arthur White, sometime Vicar of Parracombe, co. Devon, and previously vicar of Blaby cum Countesthorpe, co. Leic. They both died at an advanced age, Georgiana in 1917 and her husband in 1919. They had no children and the Leicestershire property, which had been in the Stathams' possession since Domesday, passed into alien hands.

CHART VII—LONDON



VII

STATHAMS OF LONDON

Edwyn Statham, of London. n. 9.1.1785. ob. 25.5.1855.
=Sophia, f. 2a. Hugh Victor
Hall, H.M. Customs, Ports-
mouth, ob. 1854.

Issue.

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| 1. Hugh Worthington. | 6. Mary Anne. |
| 2. Edwyn Henry | 7. Charlotte. |
| 3. Francis Freeman. | 8. Jane Betsy. |
| 4. William Edward. | 9. Jemima Victoria. |
| 5. Sophia Catherine. | 10. Adelaide Victor. |

In his early youth he was placed under the care of his uncle, the Rev. Hugh Worthington and became an underwriter at Lloyds. Towards the end of his life he was confidential clerk to Beaufoy & Co. He left quite a moderate fortune at his death.

His wife was the second daughter of Hugh Victor Hall, a family which boasted two Poet Laureates in three generations, viz.: William Whitehead in 1757 and Benjamin Victor in 1754. Sophia died of cholera in 1854.

1. Hugh Worthington, n. 12.1.1809 married 1. Eliza Anne, only child of Reeve Clarke of Great Glemham, co. Suffolk, and 2. Harriot Batten, younger daughter of John Russell. His first wife died on 8.6.1836, leaving issue Ellen Eliza, who died unmarried in 1915. The second wife died on 9.12.1847, leaving an only daughter, Laura Sarah Matilda, who married Edward James, only son of William Gardiner, of Worcester Park, Surrey. They have issue (1) Claude William Edward, (2) Barbara Mary Laura.

Hugh Worthington Statham was Master of the Apothecaries Company, London, and Medical Attendant to the Foundling Hospital. He died in 1893.

2. Edwyn Henry is dealt with in Section VIII.

3. FRANCIS FREEMAN, clerk in Holy Orders, B.A., B.C.L., Oxford, n. 8.9.1814, ob. 22.4.1884. He was Rector of S. Peter's, Walworth, London, and Fellow of the Royal Geographical Society. He was a well known preacher and scientific lecturer. He married Jane Lee, second daughter of

William Kington, of Clifton, Glouc., a descendant of the Kingtons of Notton, Wilts. She died 22.11.1892, aged 76. They had seven children, *viz.*:

i. Francis Kington, n. 10.7.1837, who died on 19.12.1872. He was a Lieutenant in H.M. 59th Regiment and was present at the siege of Canton in 1857. On leaving the army he took Holy Orders and served as Curate at S. Peter's, London Docks. He married Sarah Elin Price, and left issue: (1) Francis, (2) Sylvanus Pierpoint. His wife died about 1880.

ii. Emily Jane, n. 9.11.1838, who married Rev. Matthew Aust Pierpoint, sometime vicar of Elworthy, co. Somst. She died in 1916, having been a widow for many years. She had as issue (1) Herbert, who died unmarried in 1897, (2) William, (3) Arthur, (4) Frederick, (5) Marguerite.

iii. Catherine Elizabeth, n. 12.10.1839, who married Jones Percivall and had issue: (1) Catherine, married to 1 James Ferguson, 2 Francis Burman, (2) Jones Snelling, (3) William, (4) Jane, married to Wallace Briggs, (5) Edith, married to . . . Denny, (6) Emily, (7) Francis, (8) Fanny.

iv. Annie Ellen Swonnell, n. 30.6.1853. Married in 1882 to James Ferguson, vicar of Dunsford, Ardglass, Downpatrick, and has issue (1) May Lee Swonnell, n. 30.3.1884, m. John McCracken, B.A., only son of the Rev. John McCracken, m. 4.7.1904, and has issue (a) John Leslie, n. 14.8.1914, (b) Neville Parke, n. 19.9.1920, (2) Margaret Eleanor, n. 21.3.1886, *ob.* 28.3.1886. (3) James, n. 15.4.1888, m. on 26.12.1915, Kathleen Gladys West Wall. (4) Margaret Emily Beatrice, n. 14.6.1890. (5) Sherard Freeman Statham, n. 8.6.1893, m. on 7.4.1915, Ethel Essie Kilroy. Issue (a) Iris May, n. 14.12.1916, (b) Doreen Elizabeth Williamson, n. 27.4.1917, (c) James Armstrong, n. 12.5.1919, (d) Nevil Alastair, n. 20.9.1920, (e) Annie Kington, n. 31.10.1921. (6) Percy Wallace (t. lieut. R. Irish Rifles—1914-18), n. 10.2.1897, m. on 16.5.1917, Florence G. McKelvey. Issue (a) Eric James Wallace, n. 16.7.1918, (b) Percy Wallace.

v. Samuel Percy Hammond, Clerk in Holy Orders, B.A., Cantab., educated at Merchant Taylors' School and Queens' College, Cambridge. Ordained 1880. Curate of S. Peter's, Walworth, Chaplain to the Forces, Chaplain in the Prison Service, Chaplain Inspector of Convict and Local Prisons, Vicar of Pendleton-in-Whalley, Lancs. Author of *The History of Dover and Dover Charters*, etc. Born 9.12.1857, m. 2.8.1882 Meta Christian, eldest daughter of the Ven. Hugh S. Gill, Archdeacon of Man. Issue: (1) Reginald Samuel Sherard, n. 11.3.1884, m. 13.12.1916, Violet Maitland, youngest daughter of Rupert Sherwin, of Worcester. Issue: (a) Anne Frances Clemency, n. 21.5.1920, (b) Samuel Nigel Evelyn Sherard, n. 19.8.1922. He was edu-

cated at Bradfield College, Berks and was classical scholar of Westminster Hospital. He is M.R.C.S. and L.R.C.P., Lond., M.D. and M.Ch., Bristol, and is the Hon. Obstetrician to the Royal Infirmary, Bristol. Served as Medical Officer 1914-19 and was retired as a Major. He was mentioned in Despatches and received the O.B.E. He was present at Mons, the first battle of Ypres and other actions. (2) Hugh Kington Llewellyn, n. 3.11.1886, was educated at Dover College. He emigrated to Canada and volunteered for the War with the first Canadian contingent. He transferred as a Lieut. to the 1st Dorset Reg. and was killed in action near Nieuwport on 6.9.1917. He married Margaret Renée, eldest daughter of Windsor R. Heneage, and left issue, (a) Hugh Henry Llewellyn, n. 15.4.1912, (b) Margaret Joan, n. 17.11.1913. (3) Meta Freeman, n. 29.6.1889, m. 12.4.1915 in the Cathedral at Perth, W. Australia, Hubert Baldwin, eldest son of Hugh Gill. He is practising as an Ear, Nose and Throat Specialist in Perth. He served as M.O. with the Australian Light Horse in Palestine and was present at the capture of Jerusalem. Issue: (a) Samuel Hubert Statham, n. 15.2.1916, (b) Richard Townsend, n. 26.11.1920. (4) Randolph Meverell, n. 4.9.1890, B.A., Cambridge (Hist. Tripos, Honours). Educated at Dover College and Peterhouse, Cantab. Entered the Educational Branch of the Indian Civil Service as Professor of History in the University of Madras, and is now Deputy Director of Public Instruction, Madras Presidency. Served in the Indian Army during the war. m. 15.2.1915 at the Military Chapel, Colombo, Marjorie only surviving child of Hewley Graham, of S. Martin's, Wetheral. Issue, Malcolm Hewley Julian Sherard, n. 1.11.1918.

vi. Sherard Montague, Clerk in Holy Orders, M.A., LL.D. Educated at S. Paul's School and Queens' College, Camb. Rector of Elworthy, Somst.; River cum Guston, Kent; All Saints, New Cross, London; and Cottisford cum Tusmore with Hardwick, Oxon. Author of several books and volumes of sermons. m. 28.7.1880, Clara, f. Charles Bull of Wetherden, co. Suffolk. Issue (a) Sherard F. K., n. 29.5.1881, *ob.* an infant; (b) Violet Clara Kington, n. 22.8.1882, m. 10.8.1912, John Eyre Winstanley Wallis, M.A., Vicar of Whalley, Lancs. Issue: (1) John Sherard Barnes, (2) Hugh R. E., (3) Charles Andrew, (4) Joan E. C., (5) Joyce, W.; (c) Francis F., n. 1882, *ob.* 1882.

vii. Reginald Whiteside, M.R.C.S., M.S.A., Lond. Educated at S. Paul's School, and S. Thomas' Hospital. Has practised for many years at Cheddar, Somst. The first surgeon to introduce the open air treatment for consumption into any English institution. Served in the R.A.M.C. during the war. m. 3.8.1887, Nessy, third daughter of the Ven. Hugh Gill. He is on the Court of the Apothecaries Company and is a J.P. for Somerset. He has no issue.

4. William Edward, of London, Merchant, n. 11.7.1816, *ob.* 18.12.1899, m. 30.9.1843 Marian, eldest daughter of Thomas Attrill of Barton House, Cowes, I. of W., n. 28.3.1824, *ob.* 9.4.1904. Issue: (i) Francis W. C., n. 26.12.1845, m. 29.4.1872 Rose E. H. Chiddy and has issue (1) Ernest W. B., n. 11.2.1875, m. Jane Bradley, (2) Rose Amanda, n. 1.3.1878, m. Frederick W. Gadsby, (3) Sophie M., n. 25.4.1881, m. Reginald W. Short, (4) Grace Beatrice, n. 16.6.1884, m. William Hall, (5) Hugh G., n. 4.6.1886, m. Frances Lowton, (6) Constance M., n. Sept., 1879, *ob.* 1880, (7) Clifford F., n. 23.4.1883, *ob.* 1884. (ii) Clement Henry, m. Agnes Armstrong, *ob.* 1908. Issue (1) Arthur, (2) Edith, m. A. C. McSorley, she *ob.* 10.2.1913. He in 1918, (3) Robert, (4) Archibald. (iii) Edwyn Hugh Victor, married and died in U.S.A., leaving issue: (1) William, (2) Florence M. (iv) Sophia Ann, m. 14.8.1869, Albert Legge. Issue: (1) Sophia L., n. 17.6.1870, m. 22.10.1901, (2) Albert P. W., n. 16.9.1872, m. 30.4.1903, Alice M. S. Gorsuch, (3) Florence L., n. 21.3.1874, (4) Ethel M., n. 19.10.1875, *ob.* 1891, (5) Mabel B., n. 28.5.1878, m. 14.10.1911, George Schram, (6) Violet A., n. 31.1.1880, m. 17.3.1904, George W. Cairns Skinner, (7) Edgar R., n. 31.1.1882, m. 1911, (8) Arthur D., n. 24.12.1882, *ob.* 22.4.1884, (v) Florence Mary, m. 30.6.1875, Edwyn Hugh Pierpoint, eldest son of Charles Spooner, vicar of Dean, co. Beds. Issue (1) Sydney H. S., n. 3.10.1876, vicar of Bishopsworth, Bristol, m. 31.7.1915, Hilda, dr. of David King of Scarborough, (2) Sherard W. H., n. 14.10.1878, (3) Basil, 6.6.1885, (4) Cecil V., n. 9.9.1886, *ob.* 1888, (5) Lilla M., n. 2.11.1887, (6) Florence E. L., n. 2.11.1887, (7) Gertrude M. n. 29.2.1880, *ob.* 1882, (8) Marion E. G. n. 16.4.1882, (9) Phyllis M. I., n. 9.9.1884, m. 2.9.1913, John Phillips, vicar of S. Mark's, Chester, (10) Dorothy G., n. 29.7.1892, m. 16.9.1917, Theodore G. Swithinbank.

5. Sophia Catherine, n. 23.4.1818. Married 1 Henry Edmondes, Barrister at Law in 1839, who died in 1847, 2 George John Horner, C.E., who died at Bahia in 16.9.1863. She died childless.

6. Mary Anne, n. 5.6.1820. Married Charles Spooner, M.A. Oxon, vicar of Dean, co. Beds, and had issue: (1) Edwyn Hugh Pierpoint, (2) Sherard Charles Brockett, (3) George Herbert Kimberley, (4) Francis Cyril Hemming, (5) Sophia Edmondes, (6) Marian Elizabeth, (7) Evelyn Frances Catherine, (8) Florence Margaret Dalton.

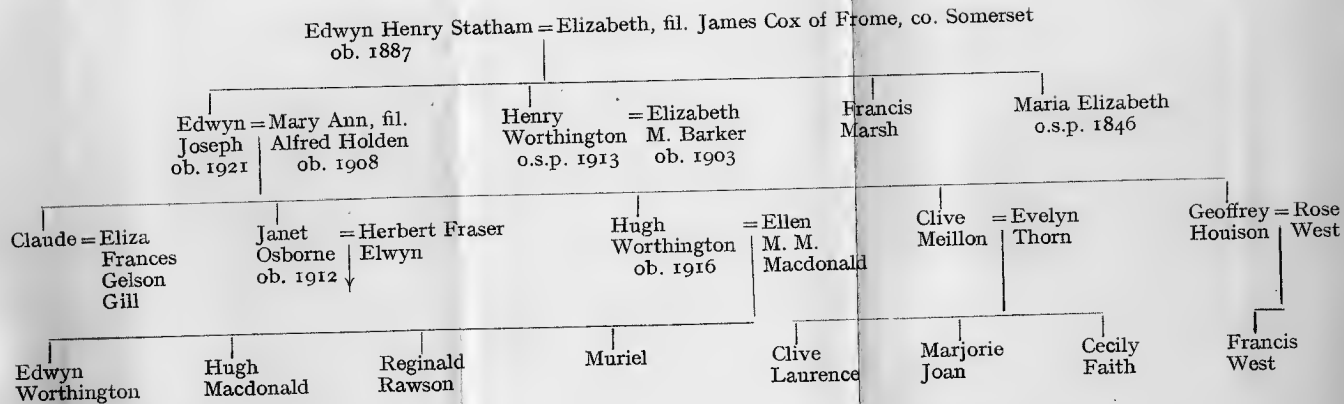
7. Charlotte, n. 16.11.1821. Died unmarried on 28.1.1882.

8. Jane Betsy, n. 21.8.1825, married in 1868 the Rev. Henry William Long, third son of Walter Long of Rood Ashton, co. Wilts. She died without issue in 1876.

9. Jemima Victoria, n. 19.3.1828, died in infancy.

10. Adelaide Victor Nias, n. 18.6.1830, died unmarried 1.7.1871.

CHART VIII—AUSTRALIA



VIII

STATHAMS OF AUSTRALIA

Edwyn Henry Statham, of Lambert Grange.

(n. 20.4.1181.) ob. 17.1.1887. Paramatta, Australia.

=Elizabeth, f. James Cox, of
Frome, Somst.

Issue.

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| 1. Edwyn Joseph. | 3. Francis Marsh. |
| 2. Henry Worthington. | 4. Maria Elizabeth. |

He emigrated to Australia and was highly successful in his venture as a pastoralist. He married a daughter of James Cox, Lieut. 7th Light Dragoons, by Maria Sims his wife. They were both natives of Frome, Somst.

2. Henry W., n. 31.12.1843, married, 18.6.1890, Elizabeth Mary Barker, who died without issue, 8.11.1903. He died 5.9.1913.
3. Francis M., n. 5.3.1845. Originally a mining expert and now fruit farming.
4. Maria E., died in infancy in 1846.

Edwyn Joseph Statham, F.R.S., M.I.C.E.

n. 28.1.1840. ob. 31.7.1921.

=Mary Ann, f. Alfred Holden,
of Penshurst, Upper Petersai
River, N.S.W. n. 21.11.1845.
ob. 5.9.1908.

Issue.

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|----------------------|----------------------|
| 1. Claude. | 4. Clive Meillon. |
| 2. Jane Osborne. | 5. Geoffrey Houison. |
| 3. Hugh Worthington. | |

He was educated at King's School, Parramatta, and was Civil Engineer in the Public Works Dept. of N.S.W. He was

Road Superintendent at Parramatta, Goulbourn, Illewarra and Grafton. He carried out the first section of the Bulli Pass and erected bridges over Mullett and Broughton Creeks. He was known as the Pioneer Roadmaker of N.S.W. and held the appointment of Senior Supervising Engineer for that State. During the absence of Mr. Hickson he acted for some time as Commissioner.

1. Claude, n. 22.3.1866, married Eliza Frances Gilson, daughter of George Robert Gill of Emu Creek, Walcha, N.S.W. He is a solicitor, practising at Woollongong, and has no issue.

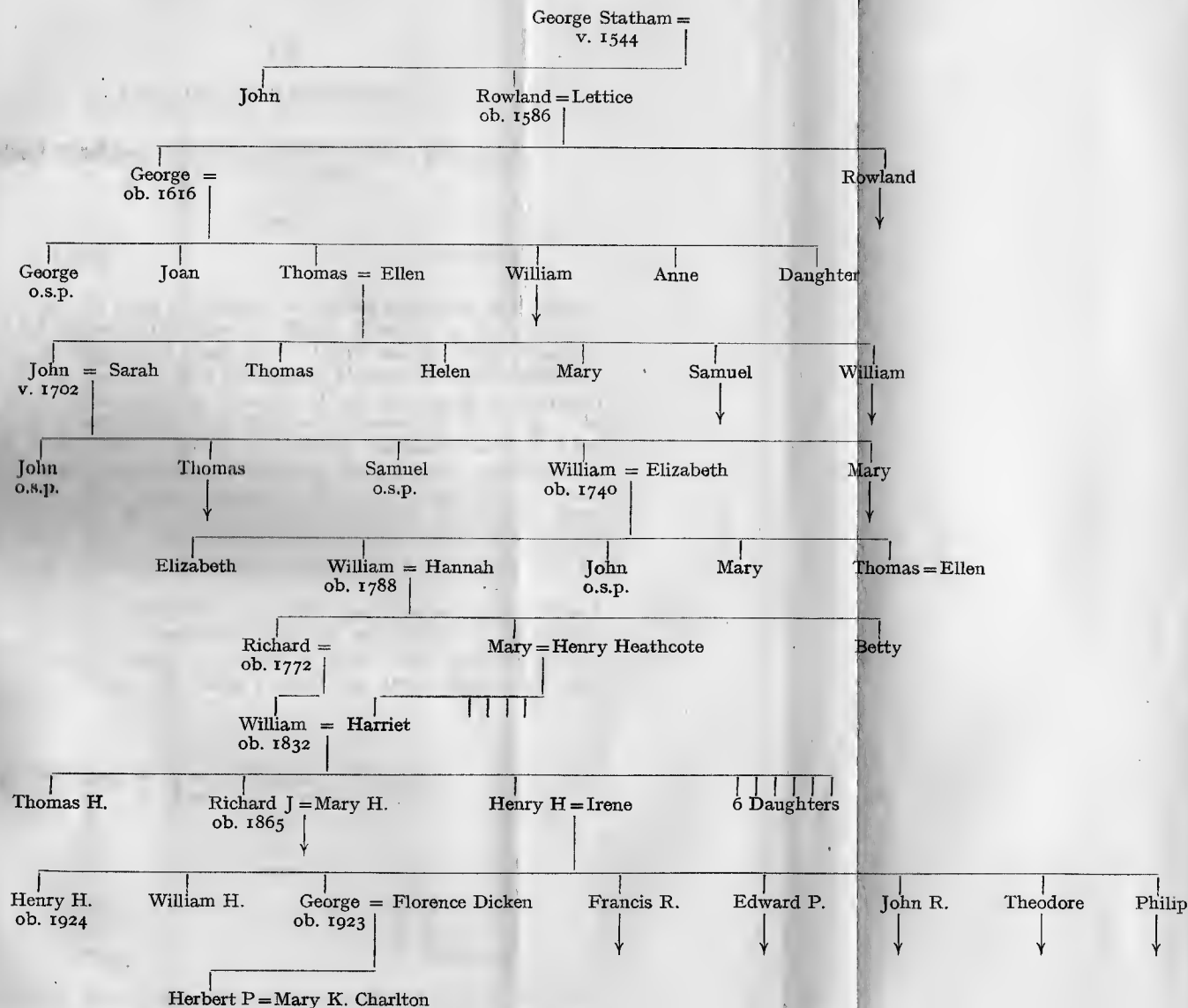
2. Jane O., n. 20.2.1868, *ob.* 9.10.1912, married Herbert Fraser Elwyn, pastoralist, of Gunyan Station, Texas, Queensland. Issue: (1) Garth Maundie, n. 7.10.1895, (2) Mary Osborne, n. 2.9.1897. The son saw service in France with the Australian Flying Corps from 1917 to the termination of hostilities.

3. Hugh W., was a civil engineer and employed in the Public Works Department of N.S.W. He held responsible positions as Engineer for Road and Bridges at Blayney, Gosford, and the Oak districts. He enlisted for service in the Great War in 1916 and died in camp at Cosbamura from pneumonia. He married Ellen Maud Mary Macdonald and left issue: (1) Edwyn Worthington, n. 2.9.1897, (2) Hugh Macdonald, n. 28.5.1899, (3) Reginald Rawson, n. 11.3.1906, (4) Muriel, n. 12.5.1907.

4. Clive M., Clerk in Holy Orders, n. 26.8.1880, Rector of Christchurch, S. Laurence, Sydney, N.S.W. He married, 24.8.1911, Evelyn, eldest daughter of John Thorn of Normandy Station and Brisbane, Queensland. Her grandfather, George Thorn, was a member of the first Parliament of Queensland. Issue: (1) Clive Laurence, n. 13.8.1912, (2) Marjorie Joan, n. 2.12.1916, (3) Cecily Faith, n. 6.10.1912.

5. Geoffrey H., n. 10.7.1887, is a planter in the Solomon Islands and m. Rose West, youngest dr. of Francis James West, and granddaughter of George West, M.D., of co. Longford, Ireland. Issue: Francis West, n. June, 1916.

CHART IX—LIVERPOOL



IX

STATHAMS OF LIVERPOOL, ETC.

Rowland Statham, of Crich, yeoman. *ob.* a. July, 1586.
=Lettice

Issue.

1. George.

2. Rowland.

In 1548 he, with his brothers German and John were prosecuted for entering the Close of Ralph Bunting at Tansley and cutting 30 faggots of wood, etc. There was another presentation at the instance of Christopher Hemstock for committing the same offence within Tansley Wood belonging to German Poole of Waykebridge and William Johnson (*W.C. xi. 7*). As stated above the property of William Johnson came in 1575 to his brother John and he was one of the attorneys appointed to transfer it. His name appears in the L.S.R. (91/145, 35 *Hen. VIII*) and also in a view of franc-pledge in Tansley in 1580 (*A.M. 6668, 253*). The administration of his goods was granted to Lettice his relict and George Statham on 12.7.1586 (*L.P.R. Act Bk.*).

2. Rowland, who lived to a great age, died in 1680 and had 3 daughters, Ann, b. 20.12.1618, s. 8.9.1682, (2) Elizabeth, b. 1622, (3) Ellen, b. 1627. His son William was baptized in 1639. Nothing further has been discovered concerning him.

George Statham, of Spoote, Tansley, Yeoman.
v. 1606. *ob.* c. 1616.
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Issue.

1. George.

4. William.

2. Joan.

5. Anne.

3. Thomas.

6. Daughter.

The only direct reference to George of Spoote is to be found in the Crich P. Reg., where there are entries concerning the baptisms

of his son George and his daughter Joan. The rest of his family are mentioned in the will of his son George.

2. Joan, b. 12.9.1607, married Lancaster.
3. Thomas, nothing definite has been found concerning him. He was married.
4. William, was married and had a son Daniel.
5. Anne, married Jessop.
6. Daughter, married Kniveton.

George Statham, of Tansley, Yeoman. b. 4.5.1606, s. 1702.

He appears to have died unmarried and his will, dated 21.11.1701 and proved 22.4.1702, is in *L.P.R.* In it he bequeaths to his kinsman John Statham, son of his nephew Samuel, a copyhold parcel of land in the parish of Matlock for life and for want of issue to his brother George, another son of the said Samuel. To his niece Joan Lancaster, "Who now liveth with me," he bequeaths the residue of his lands. To his brother Thomas he leaves £15 and to Thomas' daughter, Mary Statham, £5. To his brother William he leaves £10 and to William's son Daniel, £5. To his sister Anne Jessop he gives £5. To his nephew John Kniveton of Wirksworth he leaves a cow. To his nephew Samuel Statham he bequeaths £10 "towards releasing him out of prison." To the four sons, John, Thomas, Samuel and William, of his nephew John he leaves 50sh. To his cousin Henry Noton's two sons by his first wife he bequeaths 40sh. To his kinsman George Cornwall of London, son of Daniel Cornwall, he gives £5. To John Statham, son of his nephew Samuel, and to Joan Lancaster he bequeaths the residue of his goods, etc. The two last mentioned were executors and the will was proved by them. He died at the advanced age of 96.

Thomas Statham, of Tansley, and Stancliffe, Derby. Yeoman. n. 22.1.1620. s. Derby, 13.1.1705.

=Ellen. n. 21.3.1614,
s. 1.10.1689 at Darley.

Issue.

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| 1. John. | 4. Mary. |
| 2. Thomas. | 5. Samuel. |
| 2. Helen. | 6. William. |

In 1653 he binds himself to pay John Greaves £60 should he break a certain indenture. This was a lease by which John Greaves, of Woodhouse, Co. Derby, lets his capital messuage at Beeley, called Howhoe Hall, to Thomas Statham at a rent of

£39. On the death of his brother George Thomas became the head of his branch of the family. His will (*L.P.R.* 94, 1705) was dated 16.4.1702. In it he leaves his whole estate to his daughter Mary and appoints her sole executrix. A pedigree of his descendants is given in *A.M.* (6668, 267) and the information given therein is incorporated in the following notes.

2. Thomas, n. 21.12.1648 and baptised at Matlock. He was buried at Darley on 4.10.1689. He married Elizabeth and by her had issue (1) Samuel, (2) John, (3) William, (4) Grace, (5) Martha (*Darley P. Reg.*).

3. Helen, n. 3.2.1653, and apparently died quite young.

4. Mary, n. 2.12.1656, was living in 1705.

5. Samuel, n. 4.2.1659, married Elizabeth and had issue (1) Samuel, (2) John, (3) George of Derby, (4)

Martha, b. July, 1695, (5) Henry, buried in 1697. Samuel, with his father, sold one moiety of Stancliffe Hall to Sir Paul Jenkinson for £730. He was imprisoned for some offence not discovered.

6. William, was married to someone who pre-deceased him.

He was a Dyer and lived in the Churchyard of All Saints, Derby. He left one son Daniel and by his will (*L.P.R.*) leaves £5 to William Statham of Leek; his nephew George, a butcher in Derby; and £10 to his kinswoman Joan Lancaster.

John Statham, of Higham, Tansley. n. 12.10.1646. v. 1702.
=Sarah

s. at Darley 29.7.1708.

Issue.

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|------------|-------------|
| 1. John. | 4. William. |
| 2. Thomas. | 5. Mary. |
| 3. Samuel. | |

The only information concerning this John is contained in the *A.M.*, which consists of the date of his baptism and the names of his family.

1. John, the eldest son, apparently died unmarried in 1679.

3. Samuel, died, aged 19, about 1704.

4. William, is dealt with further down.

5. Mary, married twice. 1, to an apothecary of Leek named Thorpe. 2 Thomas Bowler of the same town.

Thomas Statham, of Macclesfield. ob. 1681.

In the Probate Office at Chester there are several wills dealing with him and his successors (*Con. Court Chester, Thomas* 1681, *Thomas* 1752, *George* 1778). I believe the Manchester Stathams to be descended from this branch.

William Statham, of Leek. n. 1688. ob. 1740.
=Elizabeth Bateman, of Biggin.
v. 1740.

Issue.

1. Elizabeth.
2. William.
3. John.

4. Mary.
5. Thomas.

His will (*L.P.R.*) was proved on October 30, 1740, by Elizabeth, his relict and executrix. His personal estate was valued at £579. The sureties of the will were Thomas Fallofield, of Bromley, co. Kent, gent., and William Statham, of Leek, gent. His wife was a member of the Batemans of Middleton family.

1. Elizabeth, died unmarried.
2. John, died unmarried.
3. Mary, died unmarried.
4. Mary, died unmarried.
5. Thomas, married Ellen Formby, He was Postmaster of Liverpool.

William Statham, Attorney at Law. n. 1716. ob. 1788.
=Hannah, f. Ralph Peters,
Attorney and Town Clerk of
Liverpool.

Issue.

1. Richard.
2. Mary Ellen.
3. Betty.

He was brought up in a solicitor's office, presumably that of his father-in-law, who was a Leek man. He succeeded his wife's father as Town Clerk of Liverpool.

2. Mary Ellen, married Henry Heathcote, Rector of Walton-on-the-Hill, who was a brother-in-law of the second earl of Macclesfield.
3. Betty, died unmarried.

Richard Statham, Attorney. n. 28.7.1744. ob. p. 1772.
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Issue.

1. William.
2. Elizabeth.

He was one of the Gentlemen Bailiffs of Liverpool in 1772, an office comprising the duties of Sheriff and Coroner. It was abolished in 1836.

2. Elizabeth, married 1 Roger Hesketh, 2 Fleetwood Williams.

William Statham, of Liverpool. n. 1772. ob. 1832.
=Harriet, f. Henry Heathcote,
Rector of Walton-on-the-Hill.
ob. 24.9.1944. æt. 68.

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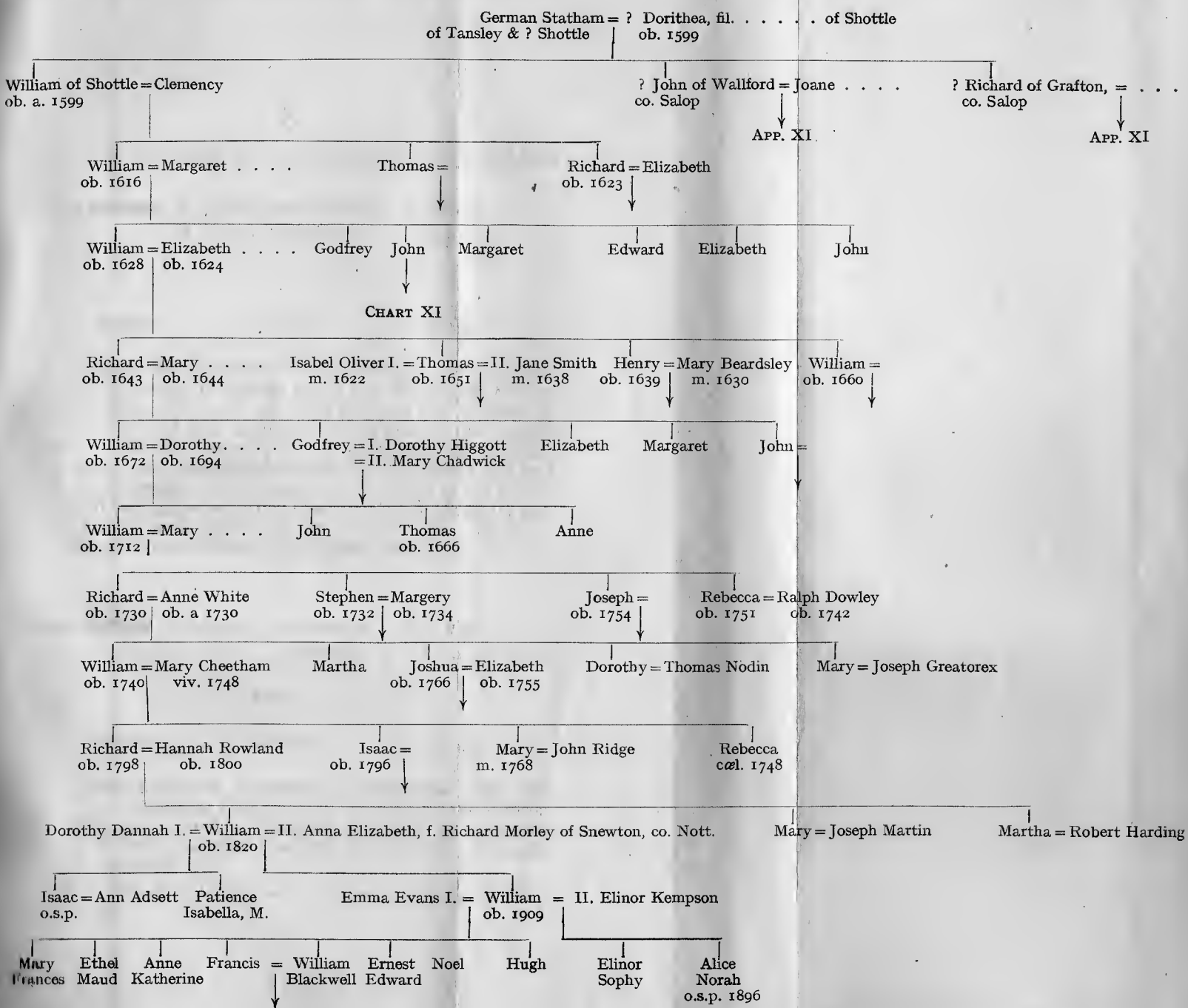
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| 1. Thomas Henry. | 6. Eliza. |
| 2. Richard Jervis. | 7. Charlotte. |
| 3. Henry Heathcote | 8. Georgina. |
| 4. Mary Ellen. | 9. Annabel. |
| 5. Harriet. | |

1. Thomas H. Of this son no information has been forthcoming.

2. Richard J., n. 1806, was Rector of Tarpoley, co. Chester, and married Mary Hannah, eldest daughter of William Horner, chaplain of Kirkdale gaol, in 1830. He died on 1.8.1865, and left issue. His eldest son, William, was married in 1865 to Elizabeth Mary, fourth daughter of the Rev. Joseph Brindle, vicar of Thelwall. The second son, Richard, Lieut. 35th Regiment, died at Poona on 10.2.1863, aged 26. He had besides his two sons six daughters, Sara, Mary Hannah, Caroline, Evelyn, Irene and Constance, three of whom were deceased in 1864, for in that year the death of Evelyn, "3d surviving daughter," was chronicled in the *Gentleman's Magazine*.

3. Henry H., married Irene, f. William Horner, chaplain of Kirkdale gaol. Issue: (1) Henry Heathcote, who married and had 6 children, (2) William Horner, (3) George Herbert, Prebendary of Torquay, who married Florence Dicken and had issue: Herbert Purefoy, married to Mary K. Charlton, (4) Francis Reginald, m. Margaretta Dalton and has issue 5 children, (5) Edward Phillips, Commander R.N., m. Annie R. Forbes and had issue two daughters, (6) John Richard, m. Alice Harvey, by whom he had nine children, (7) Theodore, m. F. Hind and had 3 children, (8) Philip Ewbank, married and had one son.

CHART X—SHOTTLE, Co. DERBY. SHROPSHIRE



X

STATHAMS OF SHOTTLE IN DUFFIELD AND BELPER

Norman Statham, of Tansley and ? Shottle, co. Derby.
ob. a. 1599. =Dorothea. s. 25.1.1599.

Issue.

1. William.
2. John.
3. Richard.

In 1548 he was presented with his brothers Rowland and John for trespassing in Tansley Wood and for illegally cutting laggotts therein (*W.C. xii. 30*). His burial is not recorded in the Crich P.R. and it is supposed that he married and resided at Shottle. This is not certain, but it is quite clear that a branch of the family was established in that district toward the end of the sixteenth century. The name does not appear in the *L.S.R.* for Duffield in 1545, which is fair evidence that no Statham had a holding there at that date. In the Duffield P.R. the burial of "Dorithea Statham, widow," is recorded under date 25.1.1599.

William Statham, of Shottle, husbandman. ob. a. 1599.
=Clemency . . . s. 4.10.1619.

Issue.

1. William.
2. Richard.
3. Thomas.

2. Richard, farmed in Turnditch and Haslewood. He was buried at Duffield, 14.1.1623. The administration of his goods was granted to Elizabeth, his relict, on 30.1.1623 (*L.P.R.*). He left a daughter Elizabeth, b. 30.1.1622. His only son died an infant in 1599.

1. Thomas lived at Haslewood, and had a daughter, Edith, b. June, 1600.

William Statham, of Shottle, Duffield, gent. s. 7.10.1616.
=Margaret. s. Oct., 1619.

Issue.

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| 1. William. | 5. Edward. |
| 2. Godfrey. | 6. Elizabeth. |
| 3. John. | 7. John. |
| 4. Margaret. | |

Little is known of him beyond the fact that as a yeoman he lived at Shottle and was buried on 7.10.1616. On Nov. 5, 1616, administration was granted to Margaret his relict (*L.P.R.*).

2. Godfrey. Nothing is known of him but that he was b. 2.9.1599.

3. John. s. 28.11.1601.
4. Margaret, b. 13.2.1603.
5. Edward, s. 25.7.1604.
6. Elizabeth, s. 30.10.1608.
7. John, b. 30.3.1608, s. 6.1.1611.

William Statham, of Shottle, yeoman. s. 6.7.1628.
=Elizabeth. s. 5.2.1624.

Issue.

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|-------------|-------------|
| 1. William. | 4. Henry. |
| 2. Richard. | 5. William. |
| 3. Thomas. | |

His will, dated 5.9.1627, was proved 24.7.1628 (*L.P.R.*). To his eldest son Richard he bequeaths his "house in Haslewood and the close wherein it standeth to have and to hold to him and his heirs for ever." To William, his youngest son, he left a parcel of ground in Haslewood. To Henry he leaves his rights in Little Lees. To Thomas he bequeaths his "best coate and my iron tonges."

1. William, b. 5.1.1601, s. 30.3.1601.
3. Thomas, a yeoman, was twice married. 1 Isabel Oliver, on 1.5.1622, and 2 to Jane Smith on 4.4.1638. He had four daughters, (1) Elizabeth, by his wife Isabel, m. Thomas Smith, 25.4.1640, (2) Dorothy, (3) Ellen, m. Edward Goodwin, (4) Katherine. He lived at Shottle and was s. 25.4.1651. His will is to be found in the *L.P.R.*, as well as that of Jane his second wife (*L.P.R.* 1659).

4. Henry, b. 9.5.1601, m. 28.10.1630, Mary Beardsley of Shottle. Issue (1) Richard, b. 6.1.1632, (2) Thomas, b. 1636.

5. William, b. 18.6.1603, lived at Turnditch. He married and had 2 children, (1) Dorothy, b. 1626, (2) William, b. 1629. William the father died in 1660. His son William m. Anne Spencer of Borrowash, 26.7.1660.

Richard Statham, of Shottle, yeoman. s. 12.4.1643.
=Mary . . . s. 11.11.1644.

Issue.

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|---------------|--------------|
| 1. William. | 4. Margaret. |
| 2. Godfrey. | 5. John. |
| 3. Elizabeth. | |

2. Godfrey, of Shottle and Wirksworth, was twice married, 1 on 17.7.1625 to Dorothy Higgott, ob. 1641, 2 to Mary Chadwick. He had two children, William and Elizabeth. His will was proved on 7.10.1662 (*L.P.R.*). His dr. Elizabeth was b. 14.6.1629, and m. Hugh Vincent. His son William, b. 24.9.1626, died without issue, 1660. His will was proved 31.8.1660 (*L.P.R.*).

3. Elizabeth, b. 30.1.1622, s. 5.10.1642.
4. Margaret, s. 19.8.1629.

5. John, resided in Duffield and was married. From the parish register we learn that he had four children: (1) Roger, b. 2.5.1630, (2) John, b. 27.11.1631, (3) William, b. 15.11.1633, (4) Mary, b. 14.6.1638, s. 6.9.1683. Roger lived at Wilne M'll and m. Anne. He had one daughter, married to Robert Piggin of Holbrook. Roger's will is in the *L.P.R.* It is possible that the family of Statham settled in U.S.A. are descended from John, b. 27.11.1631 (*vid. Sec. XI*).

William Statham, of Shottle, yeoman. s. 5.6.1672.
=Dorothy . . . s. 23.6.1694.

Issue.

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| 1. William. | 3. Thomas, b. 20.4.1651, s. 16.5.1666. |
| 2. John, b. 23.1.1648. | 4. Anne, b. 10.6.1655. |

The only information of this William is obtained from the Duffield P.R. Nothing is known of 2 and 4.

William Statham, of Shottle Park, yeoman. s. 24.1.1712.
=Mary.

Issue.

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|-------------|-------------|
| 1. Richard. | 3. Joseph. |
| 2. Stephen. | 4. Rebecca. |

In 1710 he signed a deed whereby, in consideration for £8 paid to him by his grandson, William Statham, junior, of Shottle Park, he gives to the said grandson all his goods and personal estate (*L.P.R.* 4.4.1712).

2. Stephen lived at Haslewood and is described as a yeoman.

He married Margery. His will was proved 18.5.1733 (*L.P.R.*). In it he bequeathed to his wife for her life all his "freehold messuages and lands in Haslewood" and after her death to his son-in-law, Henry Longden, and then to his daughter Mary, wife of Henry Longden, and to her heirs, with remainder to his daughter Elizabeth Statham. To the said Elizabeth he leaves all his goods after his wife's death. The will was proved by Elizabeth Longden, of Duffield, and Mary, wife of Henry Longden of Mugginton, yeoman, daughters of the deceased. On April 30, 1734, administration of the goods of Margery the widow was granted to Elizabeth Longden (*L.P.R.*).

3. Joseph, of Haslewood, yeoman, married and had issue. His will is to be found in the *L.P.R.* He was licenced as an Independent Preacher in 1714 (*R. xii.* 14). He died in 1754. (1) His eldest son, Joseph, of Shottle, yeoman, married Anne Billings, 16.7.1724. She died 1.4.1768, leaving (i.) Joseph of Shottle, n. 1725, m. 21.10.1748 Alice Saunders, who left issue. (ii.) Isaac, of Shottle, m. 1728, *ob.* 1814. m. 9.6.1758 Phœbe Street, who died 29.9.1767, leaving (a) Joseph of Belper, b. 3.3.1762, s. Sep. 1831, (b) Isaac of Shottle, b. 3.8.1764. *ob.* 31.7.1818. m. 5.4.1790 Mary Malin, who died 4.1.1836, (c) Hannah, b. in Sptr., 1767. m. 16.7.1787 Abraham Walker of Duffield. (2) Hannah m. Samuel Ridgard of Hognaston 13.4.1716 and had issue. (3) Mary m. William Strutt of S. Normanton 11.2.1723. She was the ancestor of the barons Belper. (4) Esther m. Timothy Matkin, alias Cartwright, of Shottle, 2.2.1734.

4. Rebecca m. 17.5.1645 Ralph Dowley of Shottle. They founded and endowed a school for poor children of Shottle, which still flourishes. Ralph was s. 3.5.1742 and his wife on 26.4.1759. The original trustee appointed was Rebecca's nephew, William Statham, but, owing to his early death, her great-nephew, Richard Statham, was substituted.

Richard Statham, of Bradley Laund, Belper, yeoman.
ob. c. October, 1730.

=Anne White of Sheffield.

Issue.

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|-------------|-------------|
| 1. William. | 4. Dorothy. |
| 2. Joshua. | 5. Mary. |
| 3. Martha. | |

His will was proved 13.10.1730 (*L.P.R.*). He leaves to his son William a dwelling house in Haslewood and 4 acres of land. William was to pay to his mother, Anne, 30s. yearly during her life. To his son Joshua a house and two crofts of land in Belper on the death of his mother. Joshua was to pay £5 to his sister, Dorothy Nodin, £5 to his sister, Martha Robinson, and £5 to his sister, Mary Greatorex. He also gives to his son Joshua "the living I hold of Madame Thacker" (i.e., his farm). To Richard, son of William Statham (his son), £5. The executors were Anne, his wife, and his son William. His wife was married to him on 11.8.1681 at Norton and died a. October, 1730.

2. Joshua, of Bradley Laund, married Elizabeth and had issue. He died 16.10.1766, and his will can be found in the *L.P.R.* He was licenced as an Independent Preacher in 1714 and his house was used as a place for non-conformist worship. A register of baptisms was kept. (*App.* VIII). For further particulars of Joseph's descendants see *App.* X.

3. Martha, b. 19.1.1684. m. 1.2.1715 Samuel Robinson.
4. Dorothy, b. 10.2.1686. m. 3.6.1718 Thomas Nodin of Heage.
5. Mary, m. Joseph Greatorex.

William Statham, of Shottle Park, yeoman.

b. 26.4.1682. *ob.* 1740.

=Mary Cheetham. m. 12.2.1713.

Issue.

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|-------------|-------------|
| 1. Richard. | 3. Mary. |
| 2. Isaac. | 4. Rebekah. |

Nothing is known of William except that, like his brother Joshua, he was a nonconformist, and that his house was licensed for worship.

2. Isaac was married and had a son Isaac, born in 1759.
3. Mary married John Ridge of Shottle, 23.5.1738.
4. Rebekah, n. 1727.

Richard Statham, of Shottle Park, yeoman.

s. February 11, 1798.

=Hannah Rowland. s. 1.5.1800.

Issue.

1. William.

2. Mary.

3. Martha.

His will, proved 24.4.1798 (*L.P.R.*), speaks of his "messuages and lands, freehold and copyhold in Bonsall, Turnditch, Haslewood and Belper." He leaves them all to his son William.

2. Mary, married at Duffield 9.2.1764 Joseph Martin of Shedley, co. Warwick, and had issue 2 sons and 3 daughters.

3. Martha, m. 28.6.1792 Robert Harding of Bonsall.

William Statham, of Green Bank. ob. 1.9.1820.

=I. Dorothy Dannah.

m. 23.4.1779. s. 29.11.1813.

=II. Anna Elizabeth, f.h.
Richard Morley of Snewton,
co. Notts.

Issue by I.

1. Isaac.

2. Patience.

Issue by II.

3. William.

His will was proved 10.10.1820 (*L.P.R.*). In it he bequeathed the major portion of his estate to his elder son, Isaac. His daughter, Patience, is not mentioned.

1. Isaac married Ann Adsett, but died without issue.

2. Patience married C. H. Lee and died without issue.

William Statham, of Totteridge, nr. London.

n. 3.9.1836. ob. 9.12.1909.

=I. Emma Frances, f. Rev. C.
Evans of Blackwall. n. 1841.
ob. 1877.

=II. Elinor, f. Rev. C. Kempson
of Bedford. n. 1858.

Issue by I.

1. Mary Frances. n. 13.8.1855.
2. Ethel Maud. n. 21.2.1858. o.s.p. 1915.
3. Anne Katherine. n. 3.5.1864.
4. Francis.
5. William Blackwall.
6. Ernest Edward.
7. Noel.
8. Hugh.

Issue by II.

9. Elinor Sophy.
10. Norah. n. 1883. o.s.p. 1896.

5. William B. n. 14.10.1869, married, and has issue one son.

6. Ernest E. n. 17.2.1872, married, and has 4 sons and a daughter.

7. Noel. n. 1.12.1874, married, and has 2 sons and a daughter.

8. Hugh. n. 9.3.1876, married, and has issue a daughter.

Francis Morley. n. 4.10.1866.

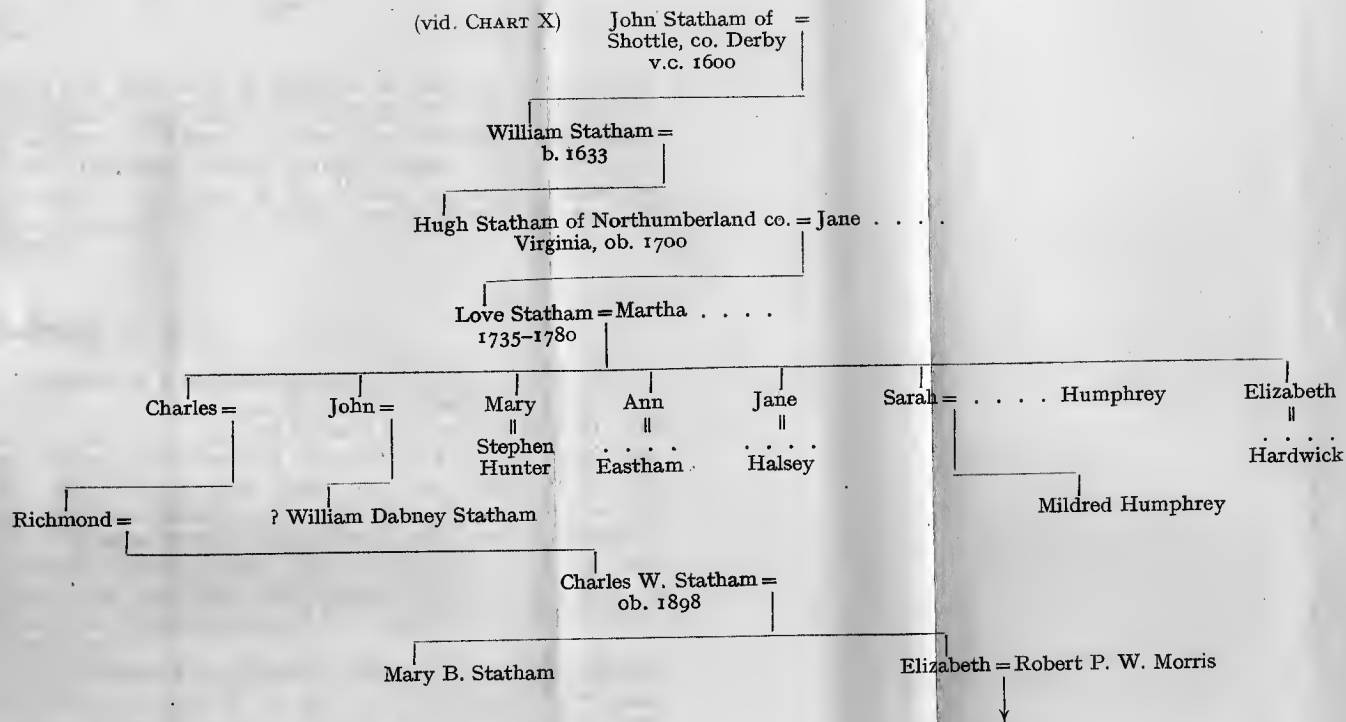
=Dora Annie, 2 dr. of James
Barnes Heywood, I.S.O., of
Wellington, N.Z., m. 22.10.
1903.

Issue.

1. Doreen Mary. n. 28.10.1905.
2. Joan Frances. n. 9.3.1907.
3. Francis Heywood. n. 10.12.1908.
4. Ida Elizabeth Statham. n. 15.8.1910.

He assumed the name of Morley in 1883, in accordance with the provisions of the will of his great-uncle, Francis Morley of Breadsall Priory.

CHART XI—U.S. AMERICA



XI

STATHAMS OF U.S. AMERICA.

Hugh Statham, of Northumberland, co. Virginia. *ob.* 1700.
= Jane.

Issue

Love.

Hugh is first met with in Virginia in 1667 as tutor to the orphans of John Pearsy and to the orphans of John Grimstead in Northumberland, co. Virginia. His will was proved on September 19, 1700, by Jonathan Palefry, Sarah Bashan, Tiege Allen and Tiege Cannaday. In 1702-3, on March 17, the nuncupative will of Jane Statham was proved in Court by Manley Brown and John Hartley.

Love Statham. *ob.* 1780. =

He is reputed to have been the son of Hugh ; but if this be so he must have lived to a great age. He received grants of land in Hanover County in 1735 and his will was proved in 1781. It is an interesting document and is given in App. IX. His sons were two, viz., Charles and John, and his daughters five in number. His grandchildren and other descendants are given in Chart XI. Charles Statham, who died in 1898, was a Colonel in the Confederate States Army. He was born in 1819 and died in Campbell, co. Virginia. His daughter Mary is engaged in literary work in Washington and has supplied the information included herein.

Her sister Elizabeth was married to Robert Page Waller Morris, descended from several of the most distinguished Virginians, including the earl of Traquart ; William Nelson, President of the Council in 1770-1 ; John Page, Governor of Virginia 1802-5 ; and Benjamin Waller, a celebrated jurist. Mr. Morris is a judge of the U.S. District Court and reside in Duleith, Minnesota.
a.b. 10, 12, 24.

l. 12. "Richard. King John.

Memorandum quod David de Malopassu adeptum fuisse in pleno comitatu Cestrie coram Philippo de Orreby Justiciario Cestrie et baronibus etc. per breve recognitionis ad habendum de Sohél de Roberto patric donationem medietatem Ecclesia Mallopassu ilius scilicet que fuit Gilberti clerici et medietatem Passage et medietatem moline de Overton medietatem de Hertton et totum Stoctun medietatem de Agetun et totam terram de Hamdesley et totam medietatem villæ de Malopassu cum omnibus libertatibus prefatis terris pertinentibus et ne id humanum possit imposterum perterre (*sic*) memoria huic rotulo perdurabili censuimus commendare."

In the left hand margin is written

"Medietas malpas Haudley Agton Sayhall Horton Overton molena Malpass Stocton passage de Malpas."	} dimidium
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In the right hand margin is written

"Malpas Orreby Justiciarius Patrick Gilbert."

l. 44. "Henry 2.

Notandum quod Robertus patric quondam dominus integre baronia (*sic*) de Malopassu foresfecit eandem Ranulpho comiti Cestrie ex quo idem Ranulphus consensu et approbatione dicti Roberti eandem equali partitione dividit eidem Roberto unum (*sic*) medietatem restituens altero (*sic*) medietatem David cognomine le Clarke contulit [q]."

King John.

Memorandum sit in Domesday Cestrie David de mallopassu adeptum fuisse in pleno comitatu Cestrie coram Philippo de Orreby tunc Justiciario Cestrie etc. per breve recognitionis habendum de Sohél de Roberto patric donationem medietatem Ecclesie de malpas illius scilicet que fuit Gilberti clerici et medietatem passage medietatem molene de Overton medietatem de Hertton et totam stock medietatem de Agetun et totam terram Ednowan et Hamedesey et totam medietatem villa de malopassu cum omnibus libertatibus etc."

In the left hand margin is written :

"Malpas baronia devided. Terra Ednowen sohel passage Overton Hertun Stock Agetun Medietas Villa de Malopassu."

In the right hand margin is written :

"Patrick David Clerke Malpas Orreby Justiciarius Patrick Gilbert clarke."

DERBYSHIRE CHARTERS. I. JEAYES.

No. 530. Notification from Agnes, daughter of Richard fitz Nigel de Malpas to the Canons of Calk of her grant to them out of her patrimony and inheritance of land, etc., in Kegworth, co. Leic., for the souls of her sons Robert, Richard and William, her parents, and her husband Nigel.

The witnesses to the deed are : " My said lord, Nigel des Puis ; my younger son William, Hervi the priest ; Pichot, priest of Sutton (? Bonnington) ; Gilbert, clerk of Malpas ; Robert, clerk of the same town ; Peter his son ; Thomas and Fuch, brothers of Robert ; Humphrey, knight of Boneburi ; William his son ; Warin Maillard ; Henry, Ostricer of Alured ; Nicholas his brother ; Isaac Armiger ; Hugh Cochet ; Albert, the clerk ; Roger, his brother ; William fitz Wluric, clerk ; Robert, brother of Gilbert de Malpas.

MONASTICON (OLD ED.) 986b.

"Leticia de Malpas dedit Deo et Sanctoe Werburgœ unam mansuram versus portam Clippe, Teste et consedente Ricardo domino suo et fratre suo Ricardo Maillard." (Extract from a Charter of Ranulf Meschin, Earl of Chester, 1121-1129.)

MONASTICON (OLD ED.) 201, 38b.

"Item Billeheld uxor Baldrici dedit Pecfortunam. Teste Normanno de Arrecio multisque aliis " (c. 1093).

PLUTUS MSS. (B.M.) 1039. lix.c.f.90.

Contains a statement similar to that in Harl. 2079. f.44, and gives the following coats of arms. Patrick, gules, 3 estoiles arg. Halton, gules, pale fusillé or.

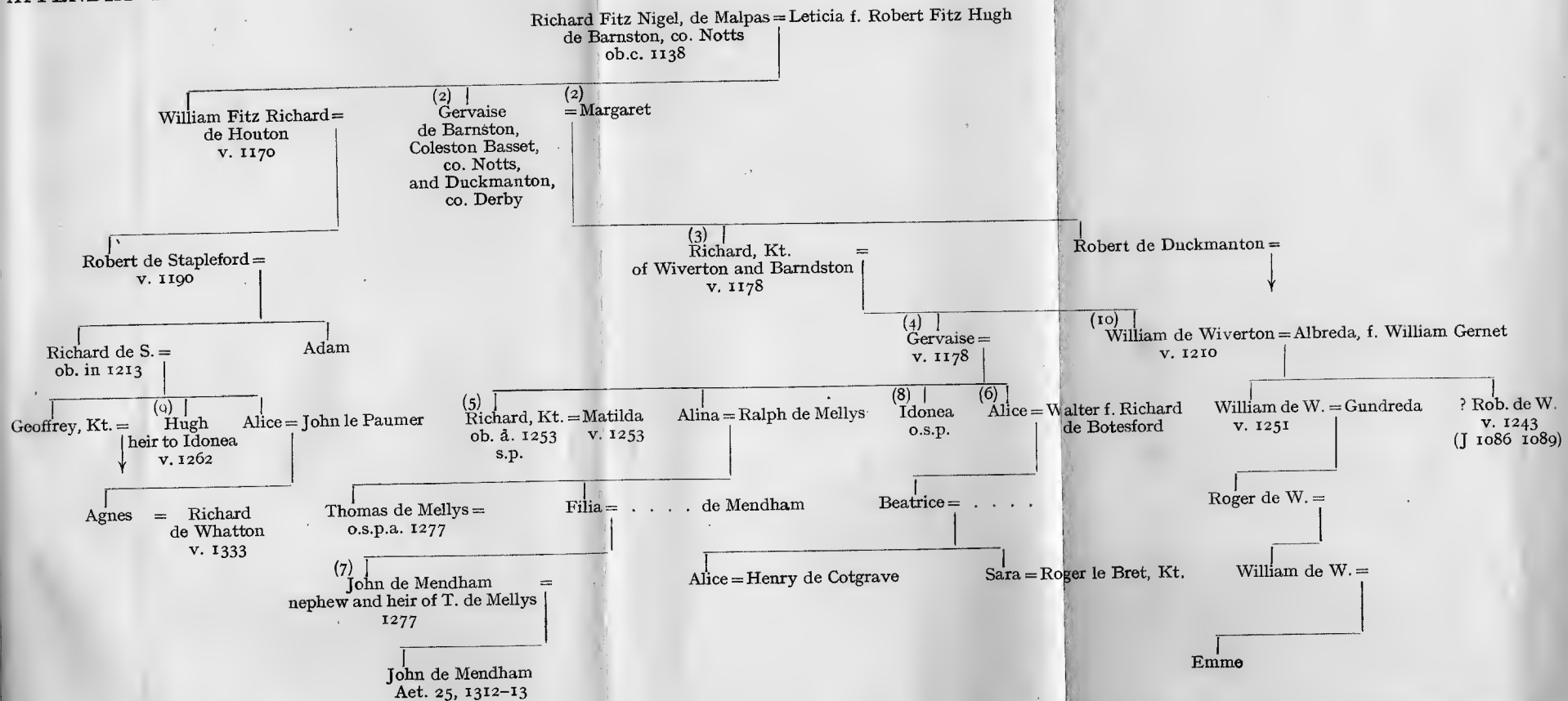
CHARTULARY OF S. WERBURGH ABBEY (C.W.f.58).

"Leticia de Malpas dedit Deo et Sancte Werburge Parvam Cristentonam et Bechiam et unam mansuram in civitate et concedente domino suo Ricardo et fratre suo Ricardo Mailardo."

III

WILL OF THOMAS STATHUM, KT. OF MORLEY

IN the name of God, Amen. I, Thomas Stathum, knight, sane in mind, do, on the Monday after the Feast of Saint John the Baptist, in the year of our lord 1469 and in the ninth year of Edward IV, make my will in this manner. First, I bequeath my soul to God and the blessed Mary and all his Saints, and my body to be buried in the South side of ye chauncell in ye Kirke of Morley at Saint Nicholas' auter ende, under the lowe wall, the said wall to be taken downe, and ther uppon me leyde a stone of marble wt iii ymage of laton, one ymage maude after me and the other ii after both my wifis. We all knelyng on our kneys, wt eche one of us a rolle in our handis unto our lady Saint Marye, and to Saint Xtofore over our heedis, wt iiij scochons of myne armes and bothe my wifis armes quartely to gedere, and to ware on the said stone vi marcs. Also I will yat therbe vi torchis every torch of iiij s., and v tapers of wax every taper a li and a half to brenne aboute my body the day of my buryng and enterement. Also I wol that ii of ye said torchis be yoven to the Chapell of Smalley after myn enterement be doone and the other iiij torchis to the church of Morley. Also I wol yat ye parson have my best best to my principall what so ever kynde he bee. Also I wol that ye said parson have after myne enterement be doon vi. s. Also I wol that thabbat of Derley have vis. viiid., and he come; and eche one of his Channons vid., and they come. Also I wol that thabbat of Dall have the same and yey come. And also I wol yat ye Prior of Breydsall parke have vi. viiid., and his Channon xiid. Whether they come or nott. Also I wol yat ye prior of the freres of Derby have vis. viiid. and every frere and every preest yat comes iiid. Also I wol yt the priores of Derby have vis. viiid. and everyche of her nonnes xiid., whether yey come or no. Also I wol yat Dame Godith have vis. of money. Also I will that ye Prior of ye White Freres of Notyngham have vis. viiid., whethir he come or no. Also I wol yt ye warden of ye grey freres have vis. viiid., whethir he come or nott, and every clerk yat comes have iid. Also I woll that vi pore men that holden the vi torchis have eche of them a white gowne and hoodis therto. Also I wol that yer be sleyn at ye said enterement iiij oxene vi calfs xiiij wedirs and they to be eton and dalte amonge thoose yat comen to myn enterement, and that yer be brede and ale longyng yerto. Also I



Thoroton's Notts i. 163, 196. J. 936, 2090-2093.

(2) Cart. Lenton Pr.

(3) Cart. Lenton 87. Notts Pleas. 25 Hen. ii. D.M. ii. 96, 26a. Cart. Wellebec, gave Duckmanton to Wellbeck for

49 marks of silver given him by Geoffrey f. Peter.

(4) Notts Pleas. 25 Hen. ii.

(5) Escheats, 37 Hen. iii. Thurgarton Cart. Held of King 25 bov. in Wiverton and Barnston $\frac{1}{3}$ Kts. fee, 15 bov.

(6) Escheats 8 Ed. i.

(7) Escheats 5, Ed. i.

(8) Rt. Pip. Notts 27 Ed. i.

(9) Escheats 8 Ed. iii. J. 548, L.C.R. vol. 39 f. 141, 142.

(10) Thurgarton Cartulary.

wol yet therbe doone vi hundred masses, every masse id., for the soules of Thomas, Rauf, Nicholas, Alison, Thomas, Elizabeth, Kateryne, Thomasyne, Johne, Cecile, Johne, William, Annes, Thomas, Elizabeth, Roger, Richard, William and John, and thies masses to be doone for thoose soules above writene and all Cristene soules; and the said masses to be devided in iii, ii hundred at the freres of Derby, ii hundred at ye White freres of Notynggham and ii hundred at the grey freres of Not; and ye said masses to be doon in such haste as they may goodely; and ye said masses to be doon in ye said fourme as the said freres dedon for my fadir for they have tables of Record. Also I wol Cecile my doughter have, and she be alyve, iiiii oxene, iiiii kye, xx wedirs and xx ewys and I have any at my decesse. Also I wol yat the said Cecill have of my purchased land in the towne and feeldes of Wesendeyn for terme of hur lyfe iiiii marke of money; and it is my will that my feoffez yat stand feoffid yerin make hur a sure estate therin as law wull by the advyse of myn executoris. Also I will that Richard of ye Heghe, my nauteson, be made sure for terme of his life of vi marc, and my said feoffes to make him as sure as lawe wolle. Also I wol that a preest synge for me a yere after my decesse at Morley Kirke, and he to have the said yere iiiii marcs and mete and drynke or els xls. to borde hym, and a blak gowne; and he to pray daily whan he said masse for the soules of Rauf, Godith, Thomas, Elizabeth, John, Cecill, Thomas, Nicholas, Alison, Thomas, Thomasyne, John, Kateryn, Rauf, William Adam and Annes, thies names to be rehersed whan ye preest hath said the Confiteor for thos soules bid alle yet been by say a pater noster and ave; and whan he goith to the lavatorye the preest to name the names openly and to say de profundis ayen. Also I wil that yerbe vi marcs of money yoven to a preest to synge for the soules above writen, and in the same fourme, at the Chapell of Smalley for a yere. Also I will that William Kneton have my long swerde, my best doubelett of fustian, my best hosen, a short gowne of my weryng, and if he owe me ought I will he be pardoned. Also I will yat the said Kneton have his house that he dwellith inne for terme of his life Rent free, except his ben, and he dwell yerin at my decesse and els not. Also I wol that John of the Hall have my long Russett gowne and all that he owis me be pardoned hym; and he to have his hous yat he dwellith in, and ye laghton wt ye crofte of ye said house, and the lande at ye yerde and the close yat he hath of me in lyme, except the said John shall pay xiid. for the said close on lyme to the Duke of Clarence, and a water gose to the lord of Morley yerely, and a osgange of lande that he occupieth for terme of his life. Also I will yat Robert Walett have his hous Rent free for terme of his life, and all that he owys me be pardoned hym. Also I wol that Richard Potter have his house rent free for terme

of his life whether he goo or abide and all that he owys me be pardoned hym. Also I will that John Tayler my bailey have his hous and all yat lies therto rent free for terme of his life, except his service therof. Also I will that Robert Hey have ii heffars of iii yeris age and his house wt the ii croftis Rent free for terme of his life, except his ben in Harfeste; and if he owe me ought hit to be pardoned hym; and the said Robert to have a short gowne of my wering. Also I will that William Jebe have ii kye, ii wynter haffers, xx ewys and xx lambis. Also I will that and Henry or Nichol my brother whether yt God fortunes of yeim to be myn heire shall have the coferinge of silke, ye fedir bed, ye fustian blankettes, a paire of shetis, bolster and pilowe, a blewie hilling full of werk, the other pane, ye hangyng candelstik with vi flouris, ye grattist brasse pott, ye iii fourmes in the bakehous, the grete masshefate, half ye ledis in fourme. In the zylehous, the coferyng of Rede in the hall. If neither of ye said Henry or Nicoll be myn heire I will that my wif dispose all to hir owne use my will fulfilled. Also I will that Elizabeth my wif have my belestid, to bren the ore that I have boght, for a twelmoneth and i quarter after my decesse, and wodde that growis within the lordship of Caldelowe sufficient to bren the said ore and charcoll to smylte the blak werk; and if myn heire let hur of yis, I will yat my feoffez enfeoffed hur in all my fee symple lande, except the lande that I have biqueste. Also I wulle yat my suster Godith have v nobles yat she owis me to bynde Luce hir doughter prentiz at London, or to hir mariage if she wull not be boundon. Also I will yat Elizabeth my wife after my decesse and my will performed to hir power and my dettes paied have all my goodes moveable and unmoveable, all the dettes that is owyng me, to her owne propre use. Also I will that Thomas Alyne have a cowe. Also I will that Jenkyn of ye kichyn have iiiii wedurs and iiiii ewis. Also I will yat Thomas Webster have ii wynter bestis. Also I will that John Horton be pardoned of all the dettes yat he owis me at my decesse. Also I will that John James my servant have a cowe. Also I will yat Henry Adirley have a cowe and iiiii wedirs. Also I will yat Humphrey Hilton have the horse yat he rides on sadill and bridell, one of my sarkis, my best worsted doubelett and my short murrey gowne. Also I will that Henry my brothir have ye best horse next my principall, except Doune my horse. Also I will yat Richard James be pardoned all yat he owis me. Also I will yat yerbe gyven to xii poure husbandes of Morley, Smalley and Kiddleslay to every of them xs. of money comyng of my xii oxen yat be putte to fatte or of othir money. And I truly, Thomas Stathum, Knight, afore-said constitute Elizabeth Stathum my wife, Henry Stathum, my brother, Nicholas Stathum, my brother, and Ralph Langley, parson of the Church of Prestwicke, my executors of this present

CHART I—S. SAVIOUR

Arms of Halton.—Gules, a pale fusillé or.

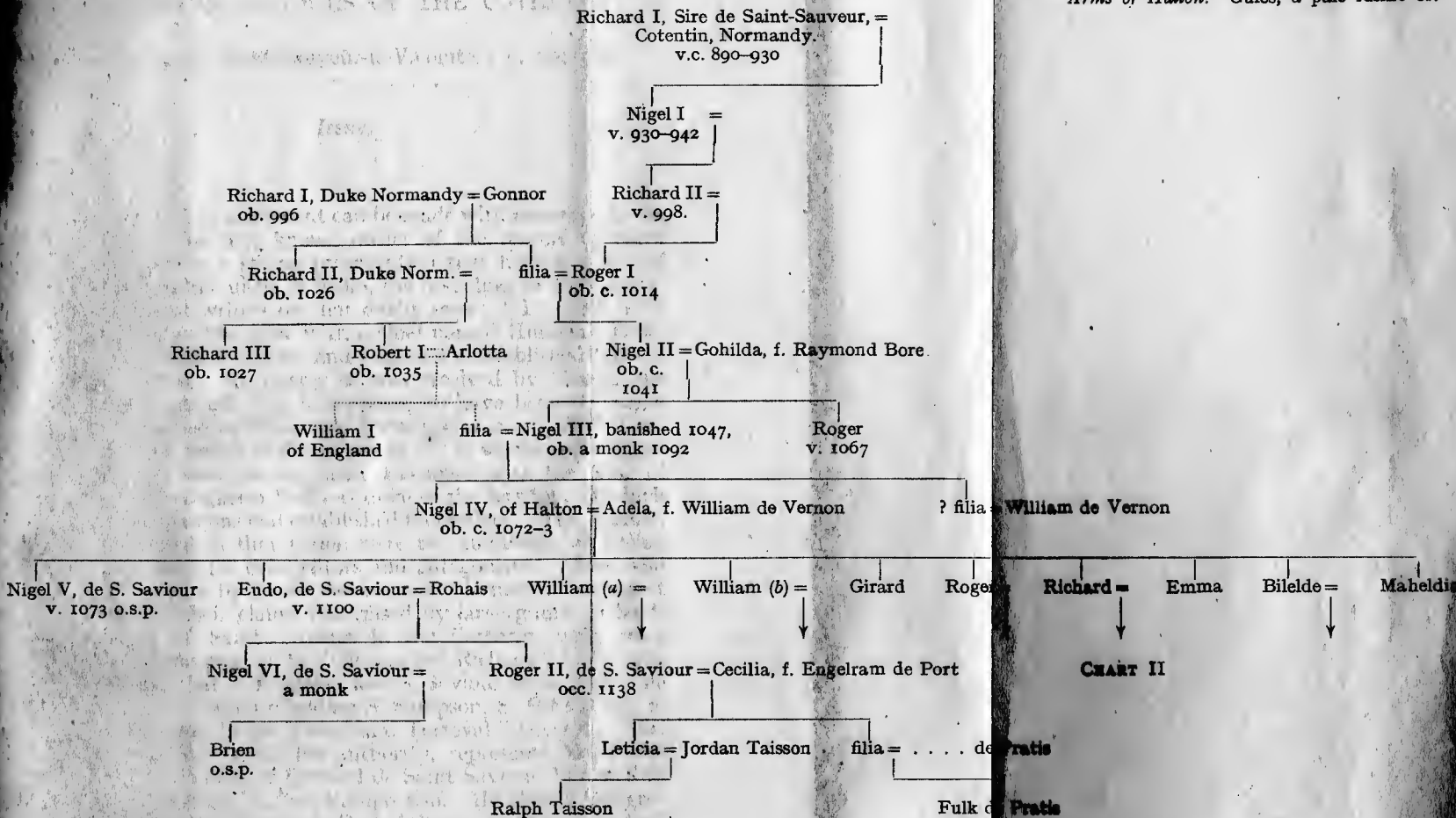


CHART II

will. And I ordain, moreover, Henry Killingworth, abbot of Darley, and parson of the Church of Morley, to superintend my aforesaid executors in the execution of the said testament. In witness whereof I have placed my seal on the day and place above-said.

This is the last will of me, Thomas Stathum, knyght, maade the thursday next after the fest of saint James thappostale, in the year of our lord 1470; over my testament herebefore: first I will that thabbot of Chester have asmoch as is be hynde of iis. of yerely Rent that yesame abbot claymed of a grounde called Lyme. Item I will yat Margaret Stathum have x marcs, Harry hir brothir xls, litle Thomas his brothir v marcs, and William hir brothir asmoch as is behynde of his xli, if any be, and Luce his suster xli, except certyn costes that I have doone uppon of arreyment and boordying of hir and hir husband oute of my hous, Sir Thomas can telle etc., all ye Remanant of theire brether bene paied. Item I will that my brothir Herry have cs. and Nicholl my brothir x marcs for their labour aboute my testament if my goodes will atteyne to so much over my dettes. Item I will that John Stathum have my blak puke gowne and my grey horse that did folowe me. Item I will yat my brothir Herry have one of my stode inares such as he wull chese. Item I will that Thomas Stathum have my violette gowne furred with lambe. Item I will that William Stathum have my grene gowne long that was last made. Item I will that Richard Hoogh have my dowblet of plate covered with worsted and my salett and my best pollax and my best hakeney horse and my grey ambulyng stagge. Item I will that Mawde Hopwode have x marcs.

Proved at Lambeth, 19 January, 1470 (? 1471).

(Wattys. Somerset House.)

IV

WILL OF NICHOLAS STATHUM, KNIGHT

(WATTYS. VI. 52. SOMERSET HOUSE.)

Dated July 15, 1472. Proved August 5, 1472.

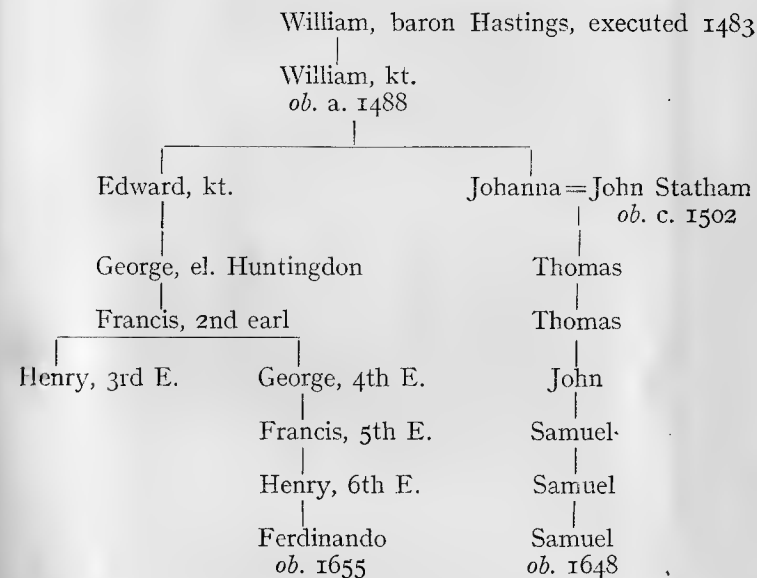
IN nomine patris et filii et spiritus sancti amen. I Nicholas Stathum being of whole mind etc. . . . the xv day of Julie the yere of our lord god mccccxxij and the xii yere of the reigne of King Edward the 4th, ordeyne etc. with myne owner hand in maner and forme as ensuyth. First I bequeth my soule etc. . . . my body to be buried in the Church of seint Jame at Garlikhithe if I dye within London or nygh thereto, the same to be doon with as little cost as can. . . . I will that there be said for the soules of John my ffader, Cecill my moder, John, Elizabeth Godyth, Thomas, Roger, Edmond, William, Thomas and William within xl dayes after my decease and with masses in the iiij howses of freres in London, and to pay for every masse rd., summa iiij li iij s. iiij d. Item I wil yat alle my dettes be paid etc. Item I bequethe to the freres of houndeslowe ijs., to the Hospital of Seint Thomas Spitill vs., to the White freres in flete Strete xxxd., to the Grey freres within Newgate xxxd., and to the Blak freres within Ludgate xld. and to the peintinge of the ymage of our lady in morley church xxd. Item I bequethe to Albright Taillour yat dwellid sum tyme with Stodard xld. Item I wil yat Love the Grocer at the Stokk in London have xxxvsh. in recompence of one plegge that he did forfitt to me, or els yat he have the same plegge of plate of the same price that he leide theym to me at his eleccion, for I did wyn more threnne xlvsh. of the arras that he did forfitt me. Item I have xlvsh. of Alice Baddesworth and she did certein trespas to my wife which mater was put in Robert Gate and John Multon I wol yat myne executores abide such ende as they woll sett therein. Item I did holde a Court at the Towne of London for Walwyn etc. . . . Item I resceived xvsh. of [name not given] Bemont a worshipful squier of the west countes by the handes of Page in the last Parliament. I did nothing therefore and yff I did yet it is agensst my conscience for forasmoch as I was one of the parliament and shuld be indifferent in every matter in the parliament I wil he have it ageyne. Item I wil y^e be bestowed among my

brother Jankyn childre and servauntes ix li for divers causes yat move my conscience and yat it be doon by thavice of my suster Dame Elizabeth and of my brother Herry, and if part thereof be distribut among his servauntes and to the prior of Bredsalpark I wol yat it well done. I wil yat after my decesse that iij prestes have iche of them vis. viijd. a yere by the space of iij yeres to pray for my soule and for the soules of my fader, Edmond Bibbesworth and other according to billes yat I have delivered theyme etc. . . . [The name of Thomas Ryplingham is afterwards added to the "billes."] Also I wil yat Thomas Ryplingham's wife have iij½d. I owe hir so moche. Item I wol yat William my clerk have my litell olde statutes etc. . . . Also I wol yat Alice Ulkirthorpe have to hir mariage xxvs. and I wil Patshe (Patsy) have of the goddes (goods) of Edmond Babbisworth toward hir marriage iij li; and yat John White be founde a scole ij yere with the goodes of the saide Edmond or els yat he be goten to Cambrigge or Eton or els made prentice at grocers crauft by the dyscrecion of my wife. I wil yat there be bestowed Godith childre x marcs and if my daughter die or she be married I wyl yat xx marces more be bestowed among my said susters childre, and among my brother Jenkyns childre and his servauntes, and in purformyng of his bequest by the discrecion of my suster dame Elizabeth and of my brother Herry. Item I bequeth to Anne my daughter xl li. to hir mariage and my best covered cup of silver ungilt, and if she dye or she be married yenne yat my wife have ye same. And I wyl yat my wife have alle my goodes and dettes above my dettes paid and my said bequestes and thinges above wretyn, and yat she soole be executrix of this my poore testament for she is coone of the trouest gentilwoman yat liveth.

Proved the fifth day of the month of August of the year above written and commission of administration issued to the relict and executrix.

According to Stow (*Survey of London*, ed. by Whittaker & Co., 1842, fol. 94) there was a monument to Nicholas Statham in the old church of S. James, Garlickhithe, reputed to have been built by Richard Rothing, one of the sheriffs in 1326.

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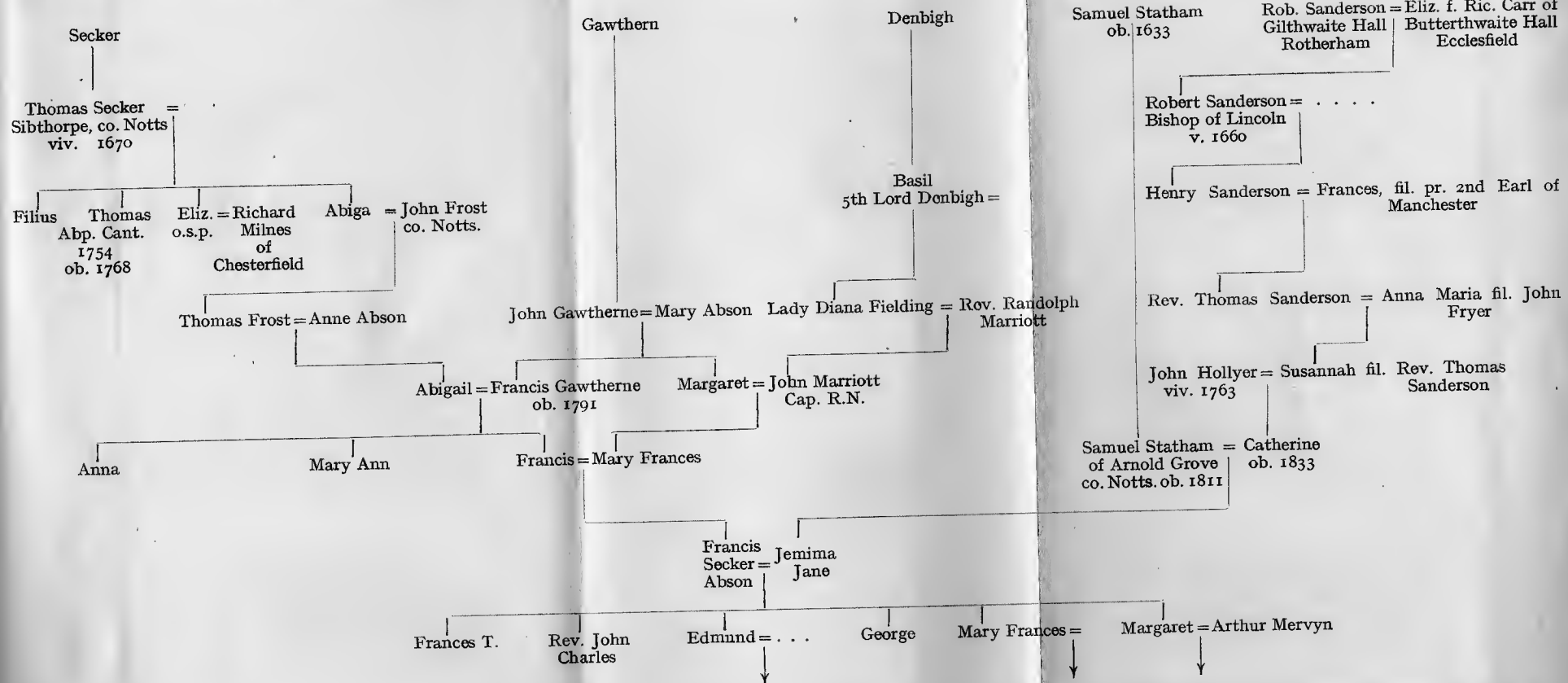


VI

COPY OF THE LAST WILL OF SAMUEL STATHAM OF LEICESTER, APOTHECARY

IN the name of God Amen the nineteenth day of July in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred twenty and six I Samuel Statham of the Parish of Saint Martin's in Leicester Apothecary being in bodily health and of a good and perfect mind and memory blessed be God therefor yet not knowing how soon and suddainly my change may come and being minded whilst I have opportunity and the free use and exercise of my reason and understanding to dispose of my Estate and sett my house in order have thought fitt to make publish and declare this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following revoking all former Wills by me made heretofore. And first I give unto my dear and well beloved sonne Samuel Statham after my decease all my Lease and Leasehould houses in Loughboro in the said County of Leicester and also all my Estate of freehold Land in Loughboro aforesaid. Item I give to my said sonne Samuel the largest of my silver Mugs and the Decanter that is top'ed with silver and four of the silver Spoons and my mourning ring and all my books but such as properly belong to the Shop and such others as his Mother shall have a mind to keep for her own use. Item I give to my dear and loving Wife for her use and the maintenance of my daughter Mary till she come to be disposed of in marriage all that my now dwelling house in Leicester with all the household goods shop goods with all other appurtinances whatsoever belonging thereto as also all that messuage or Tenement adjoyning thereto together with all its appurtinances that William Scarburrow Wool Comber now lives in. Item after ye death of my loving Wife or upon the marriage of my Daughter Mary which shall first happen I give to my said dear and well beloved Daughter Mary Statham all that my dwelling house that I now inhabit together with all the household goods shop goods and other appurtinances except before given Scarburrows house my Will is my Wife shall enjoy for her natural life and if my Daughter Mary desires to have it then if my son be then living my mind and Will is that she shall have it giving my said son three score pounds for it which if she refuse to doo I give the said Tenement to my sonne and his heirs for ever. All the rest of my personall Estate

APPENDIX VII—SECKER. GAWTHERN. DENBIGH. STATHAM. SANDERSON.



Robert Sanderson, Bishop of Lincoln 1660-1663, was born 19.9., 1587. Regius Professor of Divinity, Oxford, 1642, ejected 1648. Is reputed to have written the Preface to the Book of Common Prayer, 1661.

Thomas Secker, b. 1693, Bishop of Bristol 1735, of Oxford 1737, Archbishop of Canterbury 21.4.1758, ob. 3.8.1768.

as Bonds bills mortgages book debts or otherwise I give to my dear and loving Wife to whom I leave the manner of my interment either at Leicester near Cozen Mary ffould's or at Loughboro with my dear children which to her seems best and I doe ordain and appoint her my said loving Wife sole Executrix of this my last Will and Testament and desire she will pay all my just debts. In witness whereof I the said Samuel Statham the Testatour unto this my Will my hand and seale have sett the day and year first above written.

Saml. Statham.

Signed sealed published and declared
in the presence of us

Seal.

John Shears
Prudence Shears
William Cotton

Date of Probate to
Sarah Statham, Widow,
15th March, 1732.

VIII

EXTRACTS FROM THE UNITARIAN CHURCH REGISTER AT BELPER

1762.	May	3.	Bap.	Joseph, son of Isaac and Phoebe Statham.
1764.	Aug.	3.	„	Isaac, son of Isaac and Phoebe Statham.
1767.	Oct.	27.	„	Hannah, dr. of Isaac and Phoebe Statham.
1771.	Dec.	8.	„	Hannah, dr. of Richard Statham, Belper.
1777.	Aug.	4.	„	Samuel, son of Richard Statham.
1778.	Oct.	28.	„	Joseph, son of Richard Statham.
1782.	Aug.	6.	„	George, son of Richard Statham.
1780.	Feb.	17.	„	Richard, son of William Statham.
1782.	Oct.	2.	„	Isaac, son of William Statham.
1784.	Oct.	16.	„	William, son of William Statham.
1788.	Feb.	23.	„	Thomas, son of Isaac Statham.
1791.	Dec.	26.	„	Peggy, dr. of Isaac Statham.
1796.	Apr.	23.	„	Phoebe, dr. of Isaac Statham of Long Wall, Shottle.
1825.	June	27.	„	Patience Isabella Mary, dr. of William Statham of Greenbank.
1837.	Feb.	23.	„	William, son of William Statham, Greenbank.

NOTE.—The two last entries are from the registers of the Congregational Church.

IX

LOVE STATHAM OF TRINITY PARISH, LOUISA COUNTY, VIRGINIA.

Will, September 14, 1781.

In the name of God, Amen.

Just debts paid, etc.

To my beloved wife, furniture, bed, negroe girl and increase during her life time.

To daughter Jane Halsey 100 acres land beginning on the Branch below the house in which she now lives, running across from Garth's line to Hunter's, thence up Horsepen Creek on both sides.

To my son-in-law Stephen Hunter 125 acres, being already laid off for him in the new survey.

Lend to my grandson William Dabney Statham one negroe Boy until he comes to lawful age and when he comes of age or marries I give him the said negro as his property. Should he die I give the negroe boy to my grandson Cornelius Humphrey and his heirs for ever.

I lend to my daughter Sarah Humphrey one negroe wench and her increase. In case of her death to such of my daughters as may be living at her death.

All my estate both real and personal be at the death of my wife equally divided among my children, viz., Elizabeth Hardwick, John Statham, Ann Eastham, and to my daughter Jane Halsey, I only give her equal proportion of my personal estate as I have before willed her what I think is her proportion of my Lands.

To my daughter Sarah I only give an equal part of my other estate, except the negroe as I have given to her and her heirs her full proportions of them, and to my son Charles Statham, to the children of my dearest daughter Mary Hunter, and to the child of my dearest daughter Mildred Humphrey, by name Martha Humphrey, to them and their heirs for ever.

It is my will and request that my sons John and Charles Statham serve as Executors, and my wife Martha as Executrix.

In presence of John × Garth
David Sheppard, Jr
Elizabeth × Garth.

Love × Statham.

(Love Statham's signature was excellent in all deeds prior to signing his Will with a cross, and he must have been ill at the time and so signed with the cross.)

Dec. 10th, 1781.

Martha Statham, John Statham, and Charles Statham, are herewith jointly bound unto Thomas Johnson, gentleman, the first justice in the Commission of the Peace, for the sum of fifteen hundred thousand pounds current money of Virginia (tobacco), 12th Nov., 1781, for the bond of Will of Love Statham, deceased.

Signed, Martha Statham. Charles Statham.

Louisa County, Virginia, Will Book 2, p. 389.

X

JOSHUA was s. 16.10.1766, and (1) John his eldest son succeeded him. John's will is in the L.P.R. (1780). He died without issue. (2) Joshua, his second son, who died a. 1780, married Alice Richards and left issue (i) Isaac. (3) Elizabeth, m. 21.4.1777, Henry Walker. (3) Anne, m., 20.4.1778, Samuel Barber. (4) Samuel m. Anna and left issue (i) Thomas, (ii) Samuel. (5) Richard, a yeoman, lived at Heage and m., 27.5.1767, Ellen, f. John Hawkins, of Morley Park. He was s. on 4.8.1785, and the administration of his will is in L.P.R. His widow married Thomas Millington, of Heage, on 30.5.1787, and after his death Mason after 1800, whom she also survived. Richard left 8 children, viz.: (1) John, m., 16.5.1796, Anne Whysall, and died 28.3.1811. (2) Richard, m. Sarah Mason on 26.3.1799, and left issue. (3) Samuel, *ob.* at Hull in April, 1810, and a brass exists in Heage Church. (4) Joseph, *ob.* in Spain 22.10.1809, and a brass tablet to his memory also exists in Heage Church. (5) George the youngest son was married and lived at the Laund. He had issue (i) Rebecca, n. 1769; m. William Needham, yeoman, of the Chevin, Duffield, on 10.1.1791. They had 13 children. About 1819 they moved to Stoke, co. Somerset. A great-grandson, the Rev. Robert Raikes Needham, sometime Rector of S. Patrick's, Hove, Sussex, has placed the author under a great debt of gratitude for his patient research into this branch of the family. (6) Hannah, the youngest daughter, married, on April 28, 1798, Isaac Hawkins, of Morley Park, her cousin.

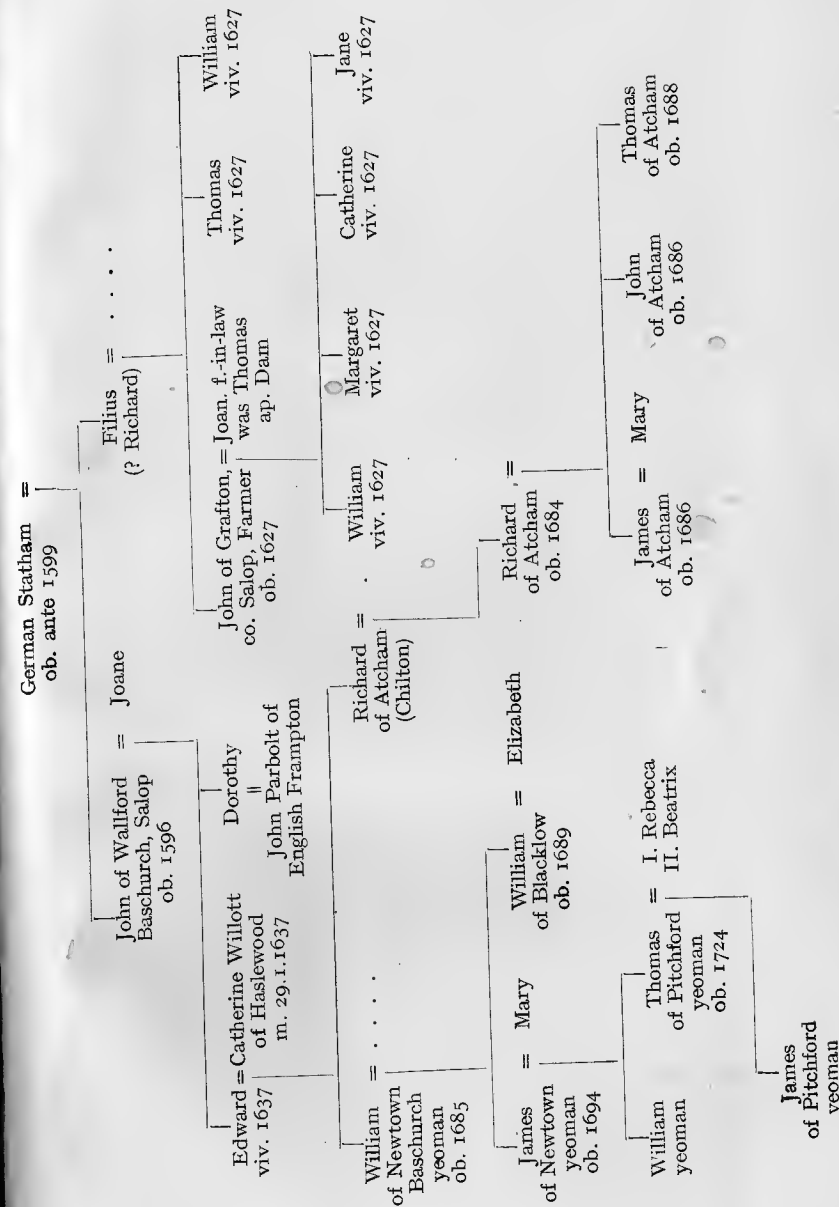
XI

THE following short pedigrees have been compiled from wills found in the Lichfield Probate Office, and it is suggested that, like the Shottle branch, they owe their origin to German Statham of Tansley. There is no documentary evidence, that is no will of German Statham has been discovered which places this beyond doubt, but the probabilities are in favour of it. They possess, however, an interest of their own exhibiting as they do the fact that a branch of the family existed in Shropshire from the sixteenth century. Further research would probably enable the descendants of James Statham of Pitchford, yeoman, to be traced to the present day.

The wills of John of Wallford (1596); of John of Grafton (1627); of William of Newtown (1685); of James of Newtown (1694); Thomas of Pitchford (1724); and of Beatrice his 2nd wife (1729) are all in L.P.R.

The wills of Richard of Atcham, Chilton (1684); James of Chilton (1686); John of Atcham (1686) and Thomas of Atcham (1688) are also to be found in L.P.R.

Further research among the Lichfield wills would doubtless enable the line to be carried further down. It will be noticed that, although the occupation of certain of the descendants of German are industrial, freehold property passed from father to son.



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